

SILVER STAR
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SILVER STAR

HOMO-GENETICUS
MEETS
"THE OTHERS!"

A
VISUAL
NOVEL



PREMISE: HOMO SAPIEN HAS HAD IT! HE CAN'T COPE WITH THE FUTURE...

ONE MAN'S ANSWER: "THE GENETIC PACKAGE!" ...STRUCTURE LIVING BEINGS WHO CAN SURVIVE AN ATOMIC HOLOCAUST!

RESULTS: HOMO-GENETICUS! ...STRANGE... SPECTACULAR...

SILVER STAR!

...AND THE FEARFUL
UNKNOWN POWERS OF
HIS KIND...

THE OTHERS!

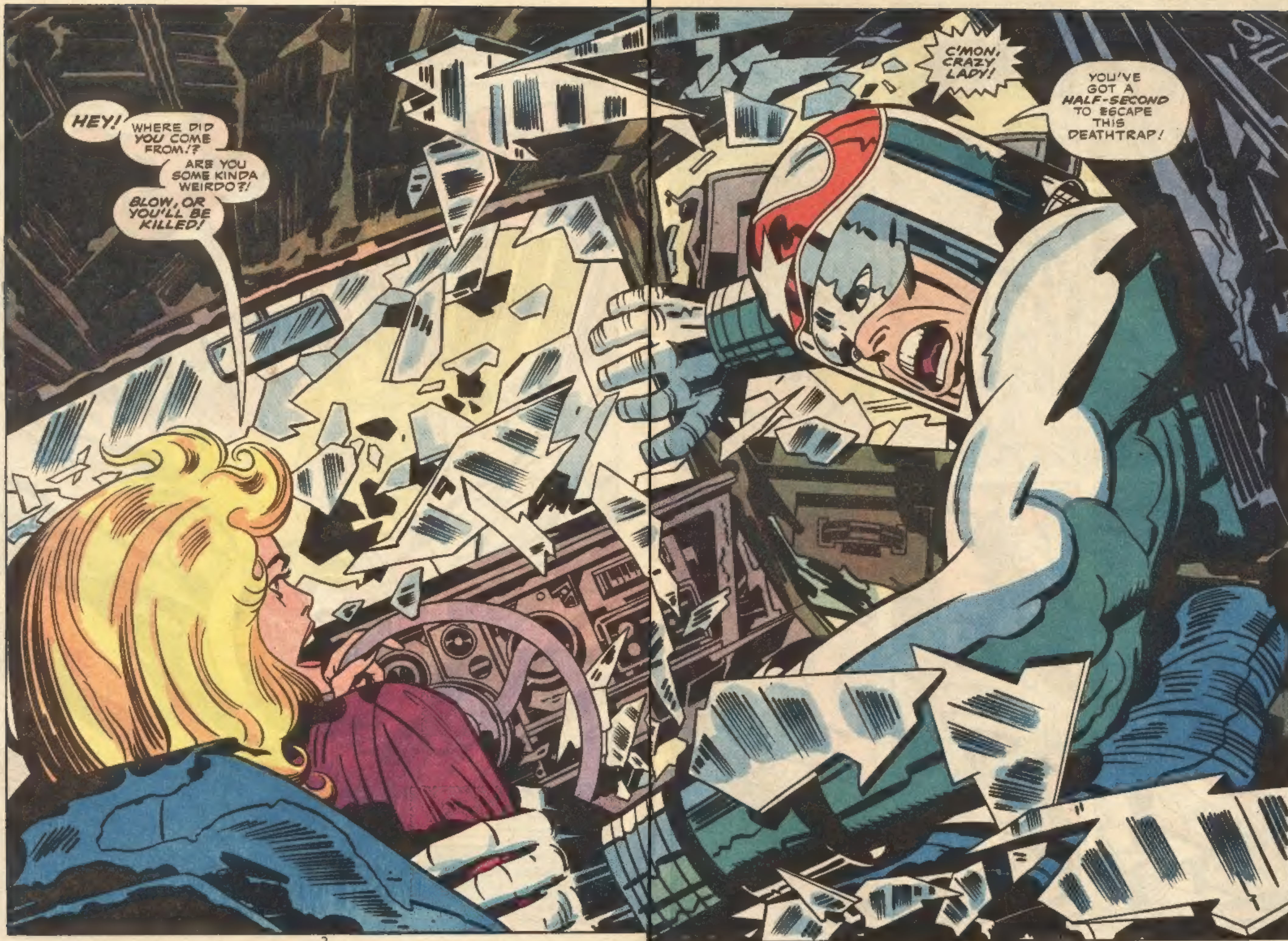
A GIRL--!
EITHER MAD
OR DEAD!
--IF I DON'T
REACH HER
IN TIME!

STORY AND
ART BY
**JACK
KIRBY-**

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MICHAEL ROYER
WITH AN ASSIST FROM
MIKE JR.

COLORS BY
JANICE COHEN





HEY!

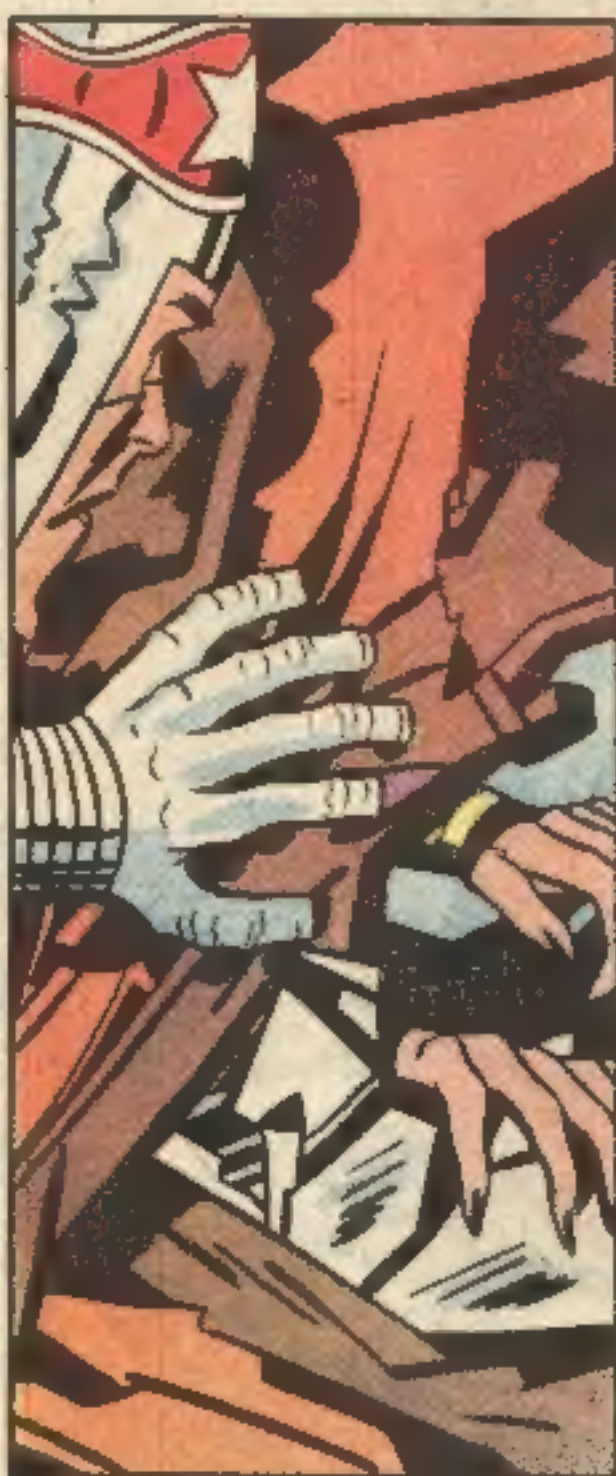
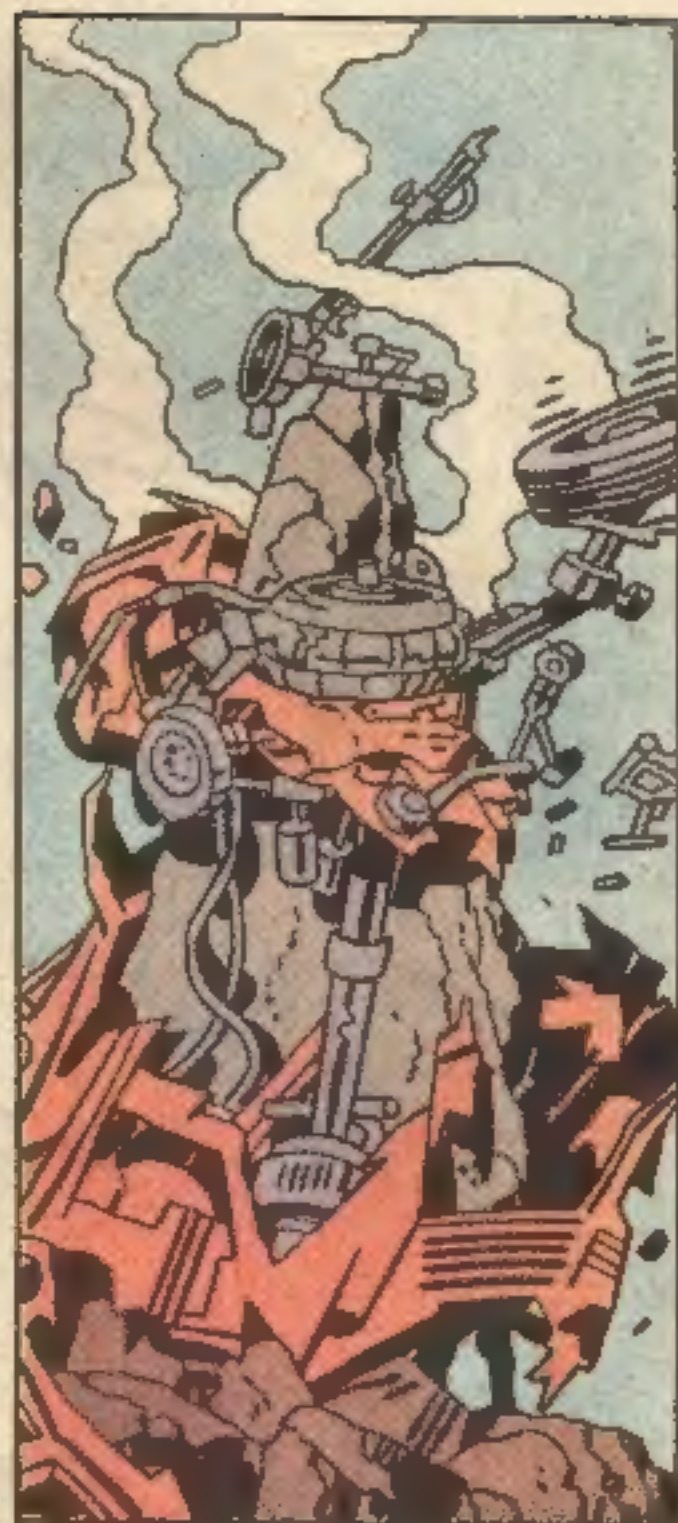
WHERE DID
YOU COME
FROM?!

ARE YOU
SOME KINDA
WEIRDO?!

BLOW, OR
YOU'LL BE
KILLED!

C'MON,
CRAZY
LADY!

YOU'VE
GOT A
HALF-SECOND
TO ESCAPE
THIS
DEATHTRAP!





IT'S MY JOB TO SURVIVE THESE STUNTS! I GET PAID FOR IT!... AND, I'M THOROUGHLY PREPARED BEFORE I TAKE A PLUNGE!

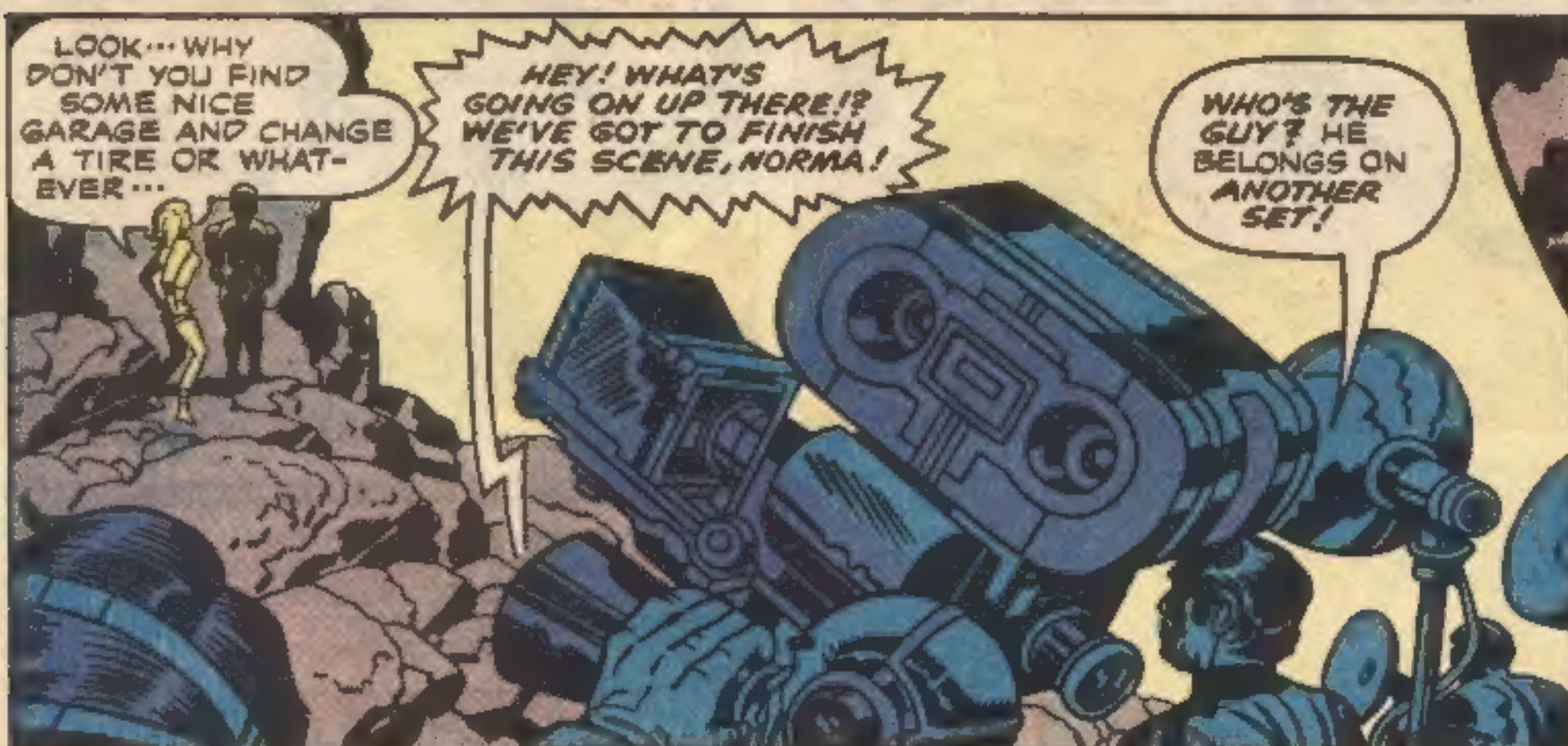
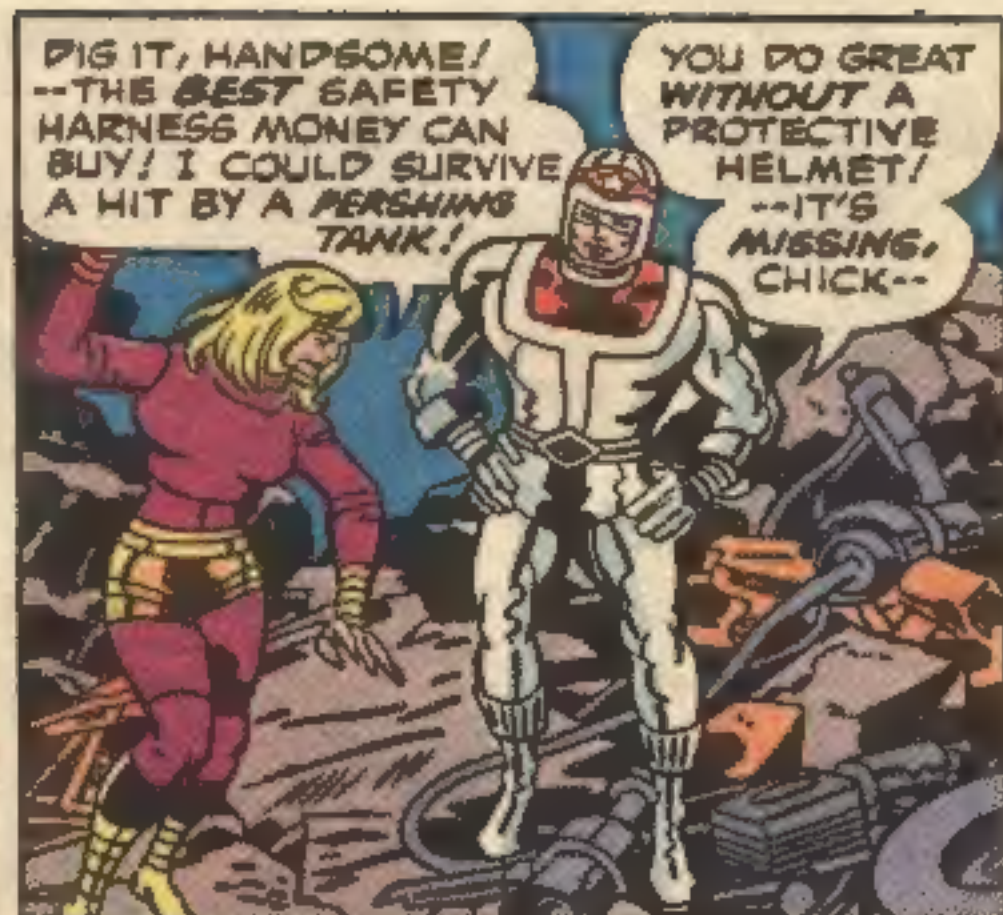
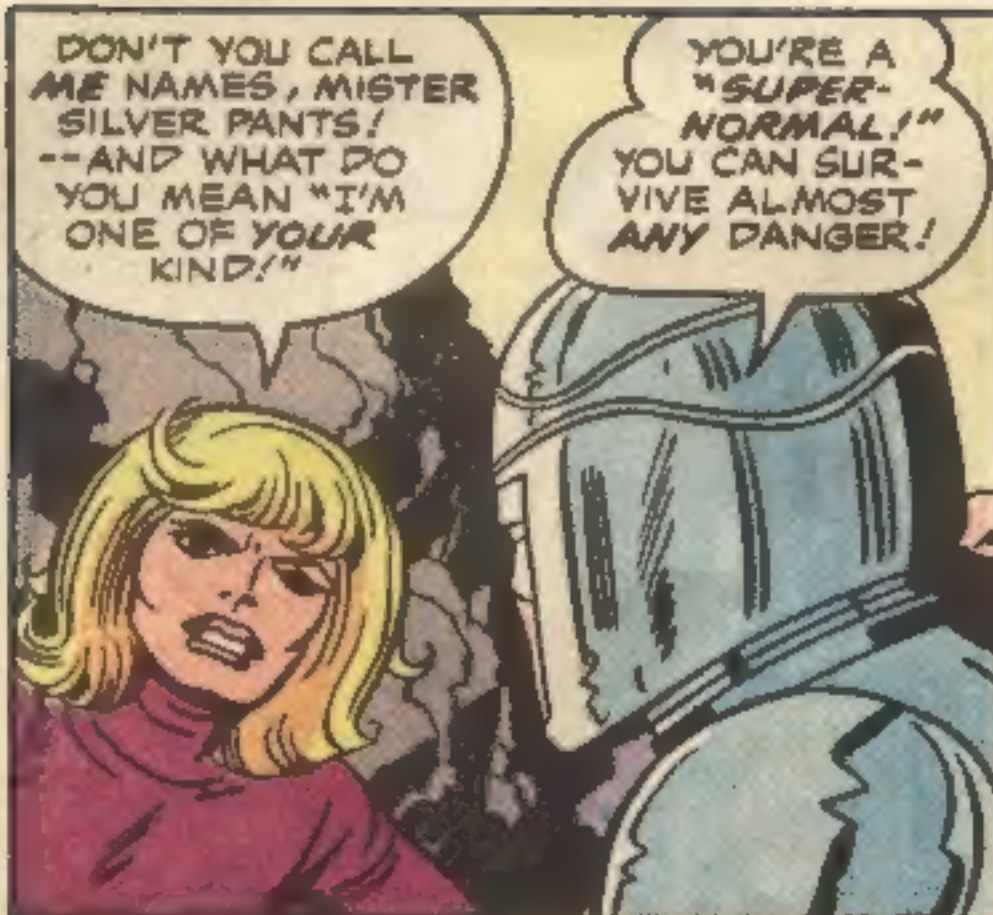
HONEY, *NOBODY* WALKS AWAY FROM A 700 FOOT DIVE AND A TOTALLY SHATTERED CAR--

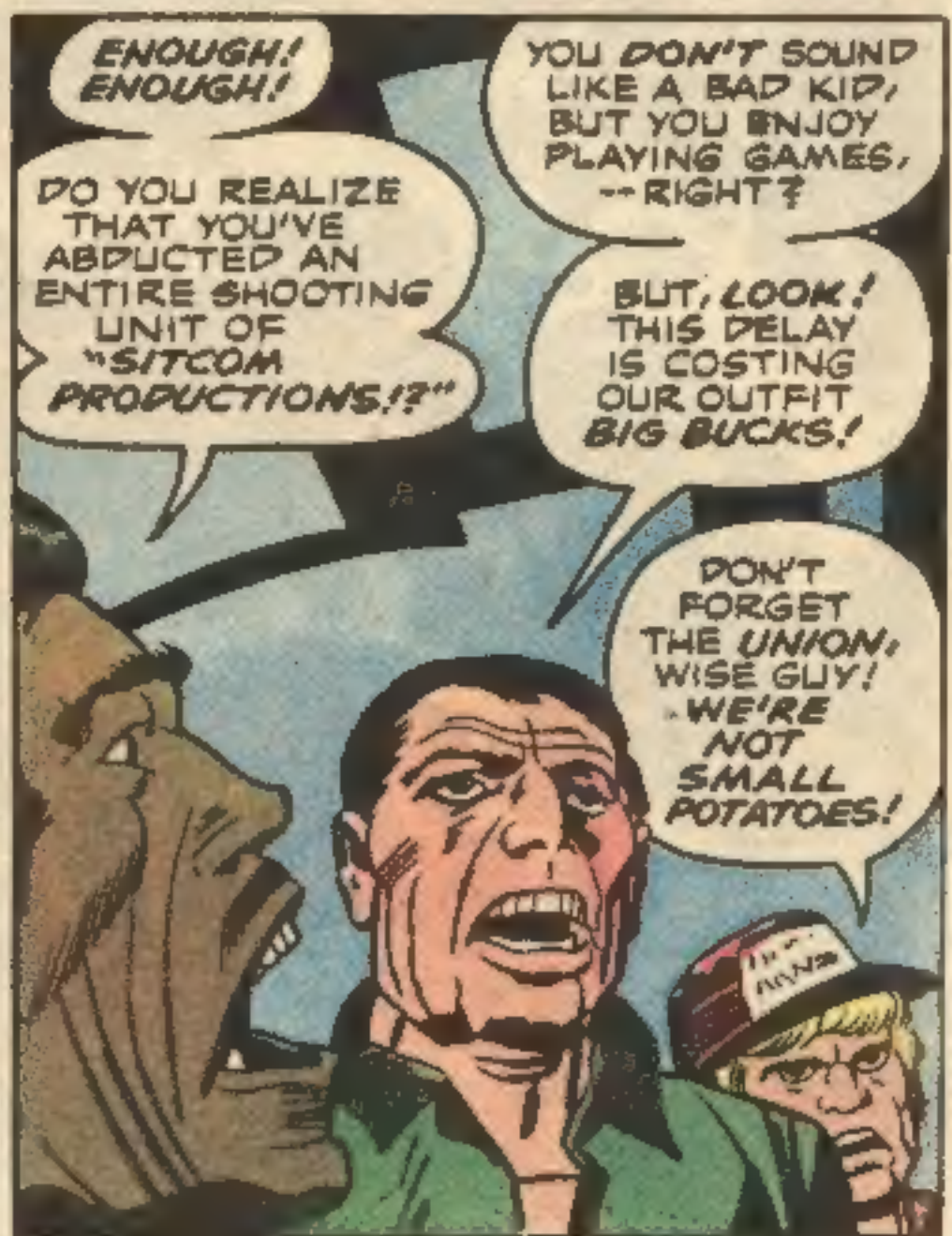
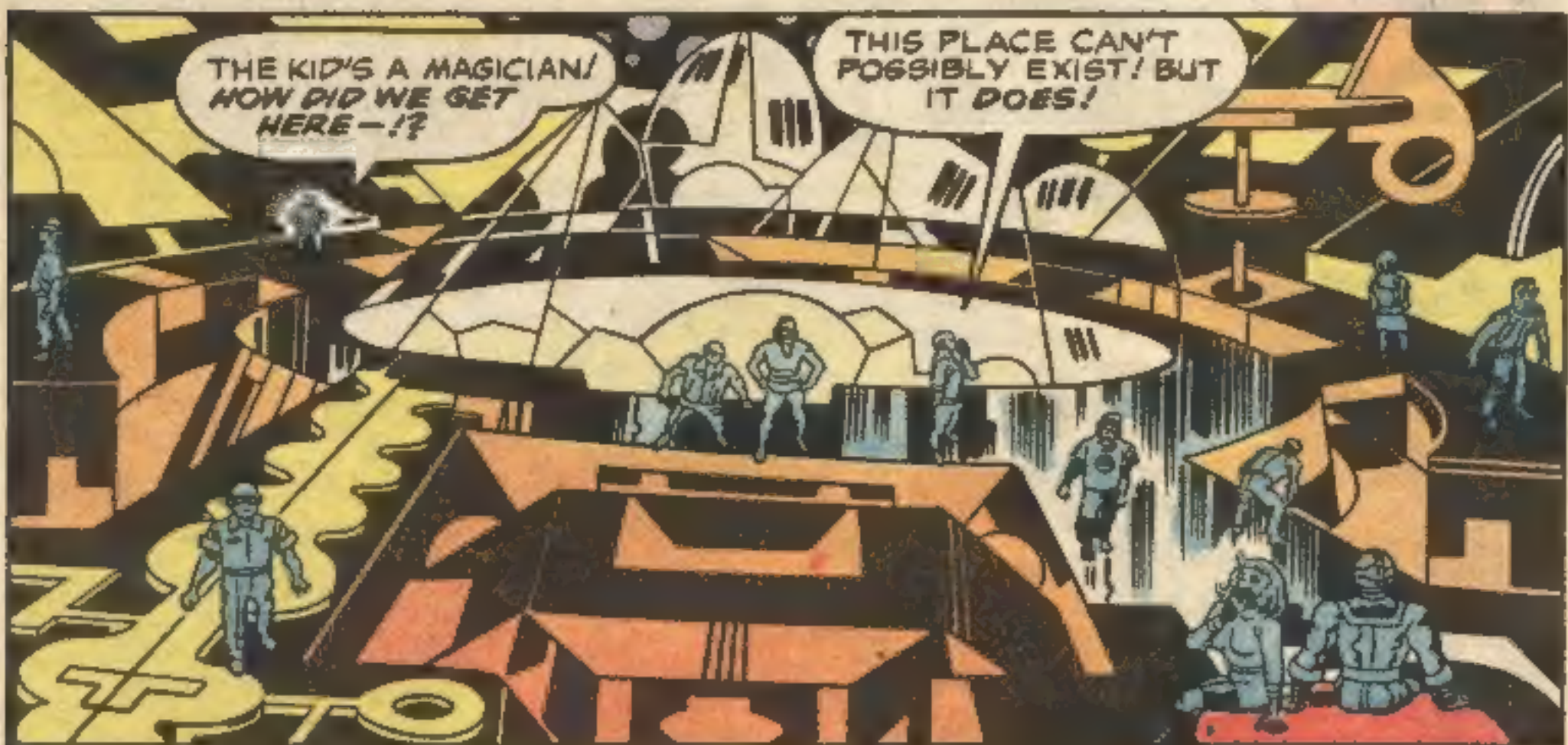
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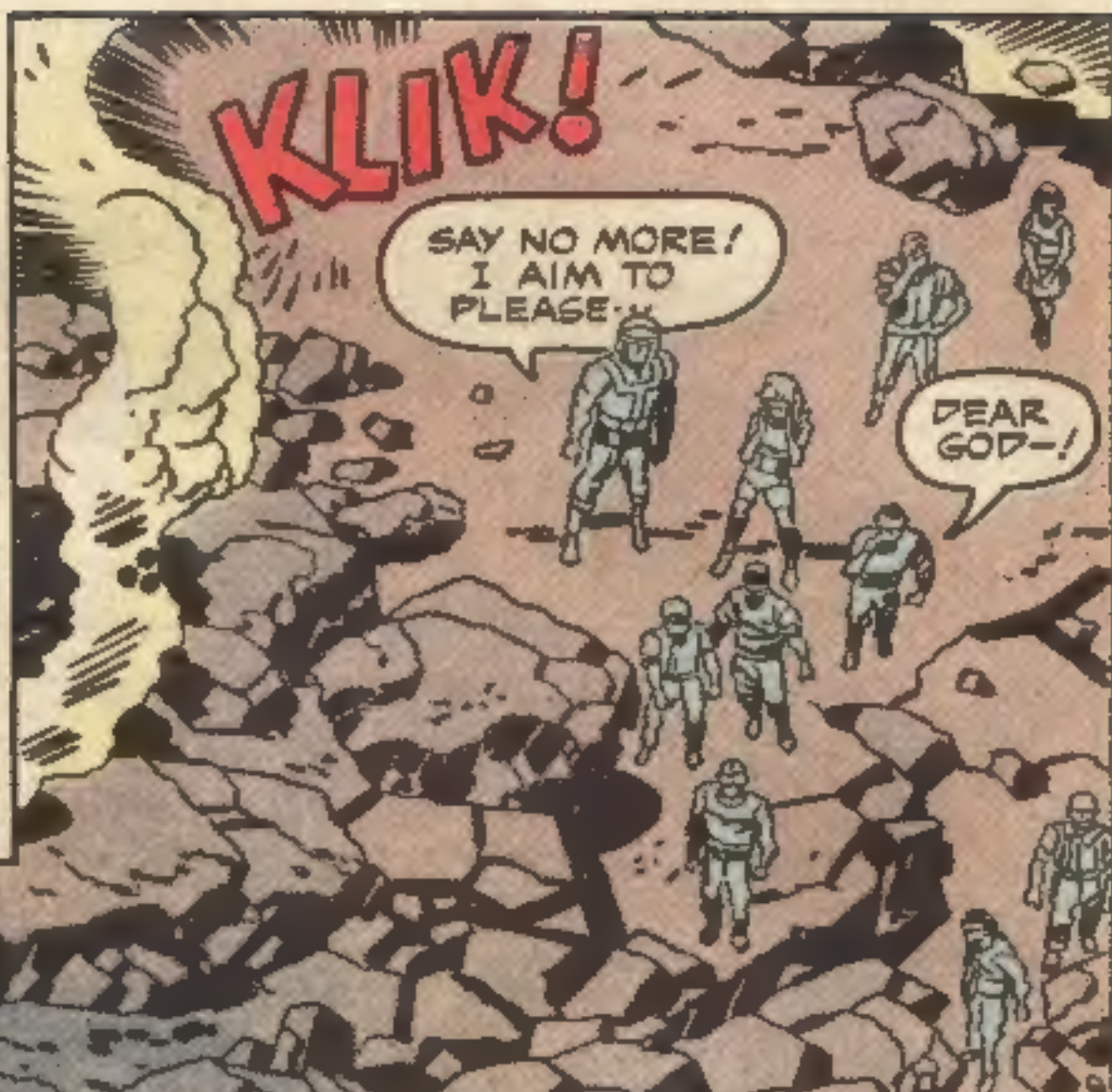


--UNLESS THEY CAN *INTENSIFY* THEIR MOLECULAR STRUCTURE TO DEGREES OF *PHENOMENAL* DENSITY AT THE MOMENT OF IMPACT...

IN SHORT, MISS GENETICUS, YOU'RE ONE OF MY KIND!









EVERYTHING'S GONE...OUR EQUIPMENT...CARS...**EVERYTHING!**

WOW!
RIGHT DOWN A HOLE, YA MIGHT SAY!

--A REALLY **BIG** HOLE!

DARIUS DRUMM!

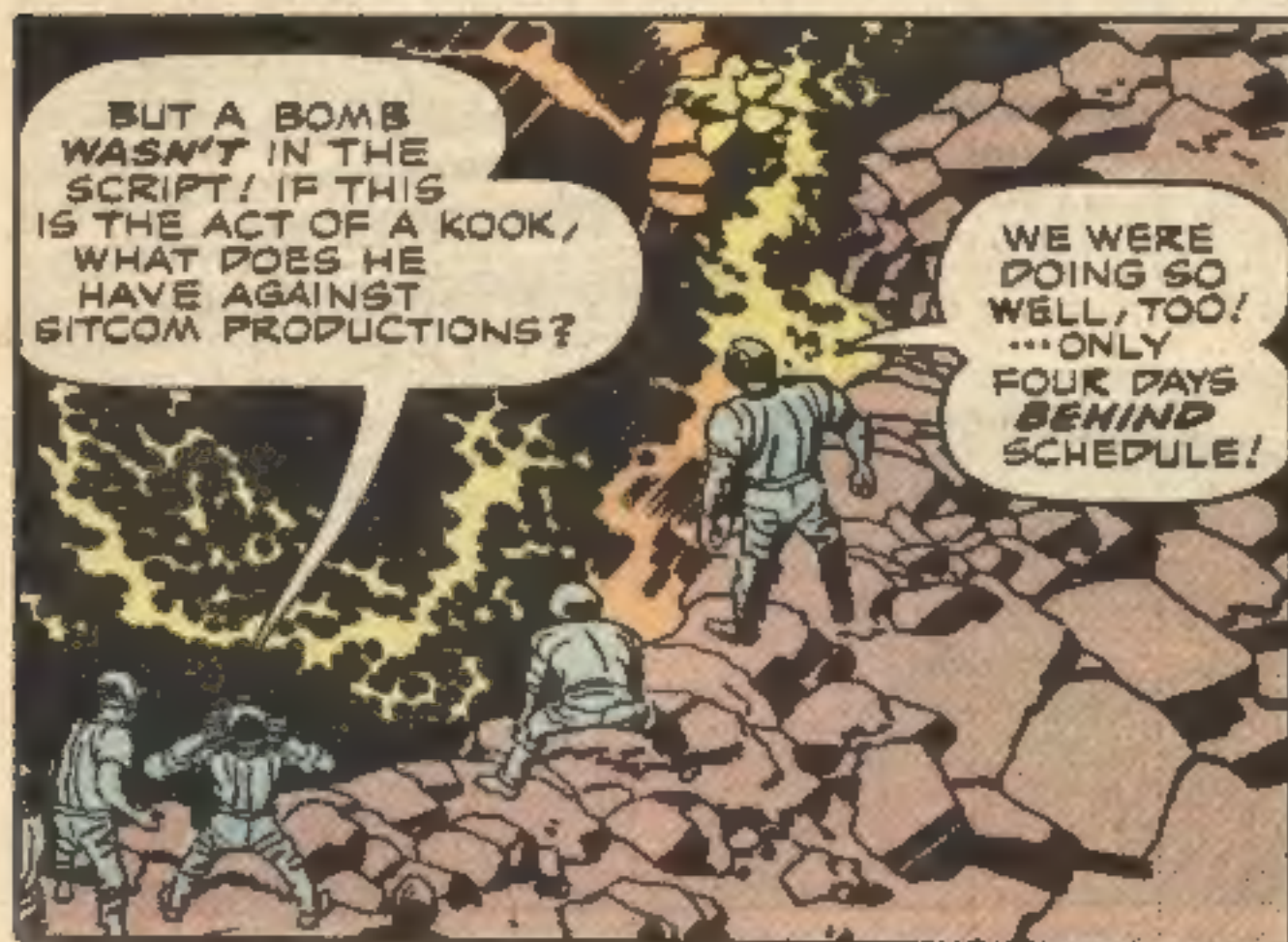
WHO'S HE?

DID HE DO THIS?



YES! DARIUS DRUMM IS ONE OF OUR KIND, NORMA...ONLY HE'S A **NIGHTMARE VERSION** OF US!

WHY DO YOU KEEP SAYING THAT!? WHAT MAKES US SO **SPECIAL!**?



BUT A BOMB WASN'T IN THE SCRIPT! IF THIS IS THE ACT OF A KOOK, WHAT DOES HE HAVE AGAINST SITCOM PRODUCTIONS?

WE WERE DOING SO WELL, TOO! ...ONLY FOUR DAYS **BEHIND** SCHEDULE!



C'MON, BABY! **BOTH** OF US HAVE DEMONSTRATED THE SPECIAL THINGS WE DO...

WE'RE A **NEW BREED**, YOU AND I ...AND I **KNOW** THE STORY **BEHIND** IT ALL...

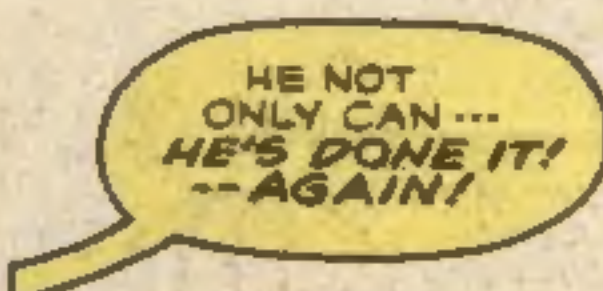


WELL... WHADDA WE DO NOW-- **WALK** HOME?

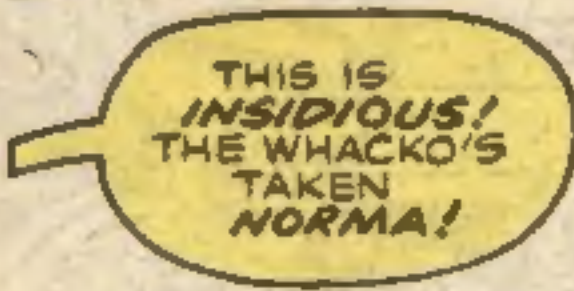
HOW ABOUT BEING **GRATEFUL** THAT YOU'VE STILL GOT LEGS!

YEAH! WE CAN **HITCH-HIKE!**

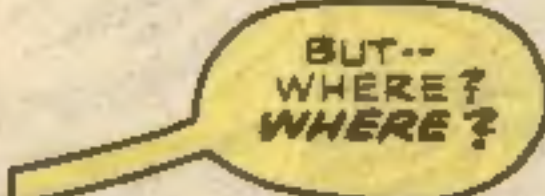
THAT KID IN THE **SILVER SUIT!** MAYBE HE CAN--!



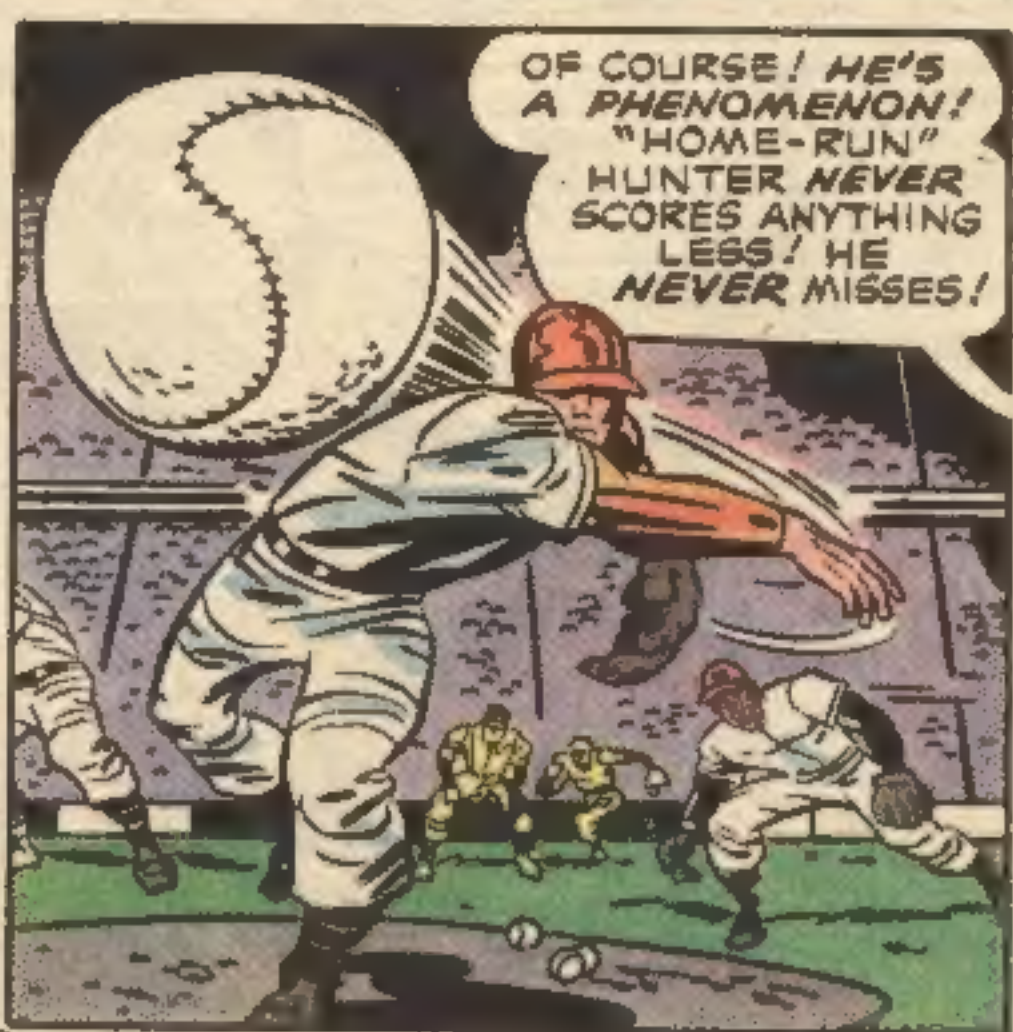
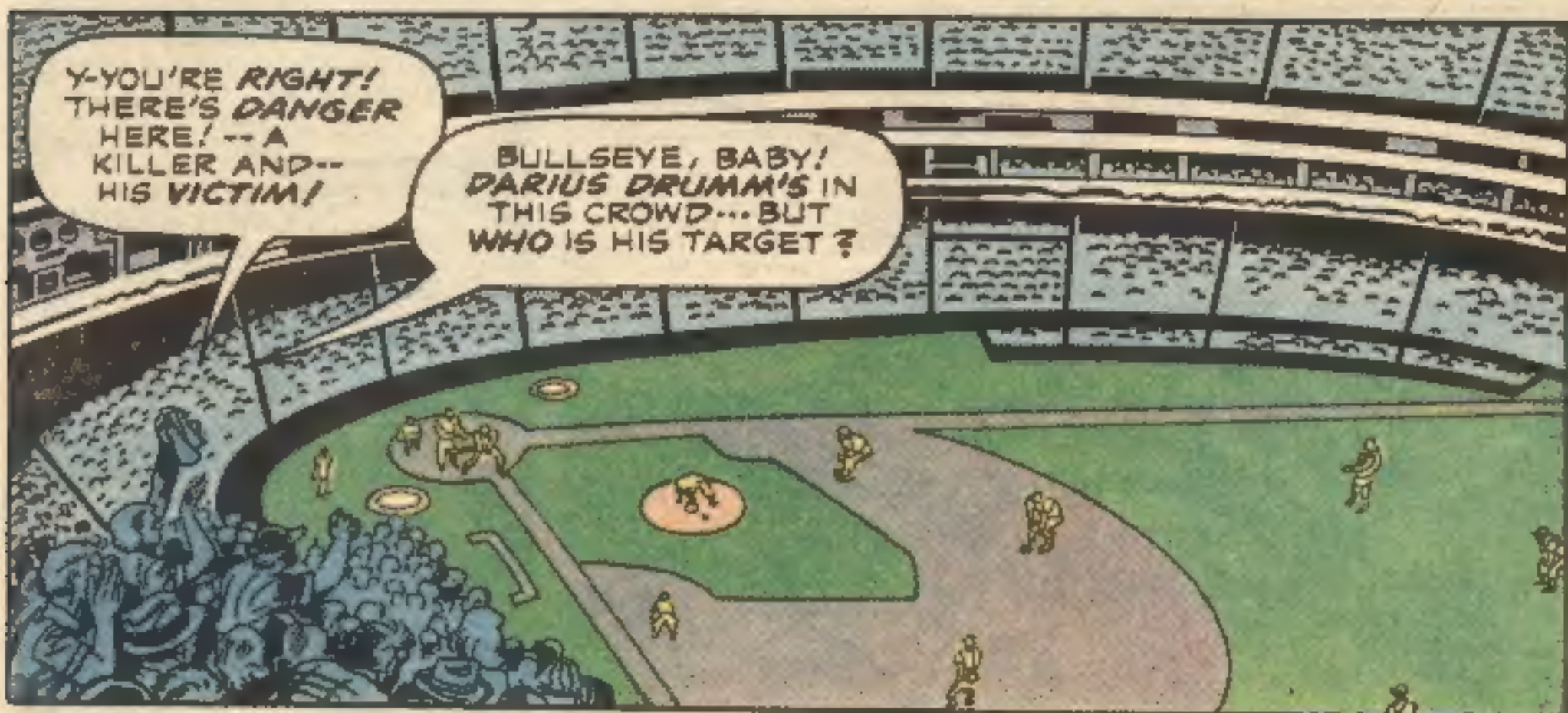
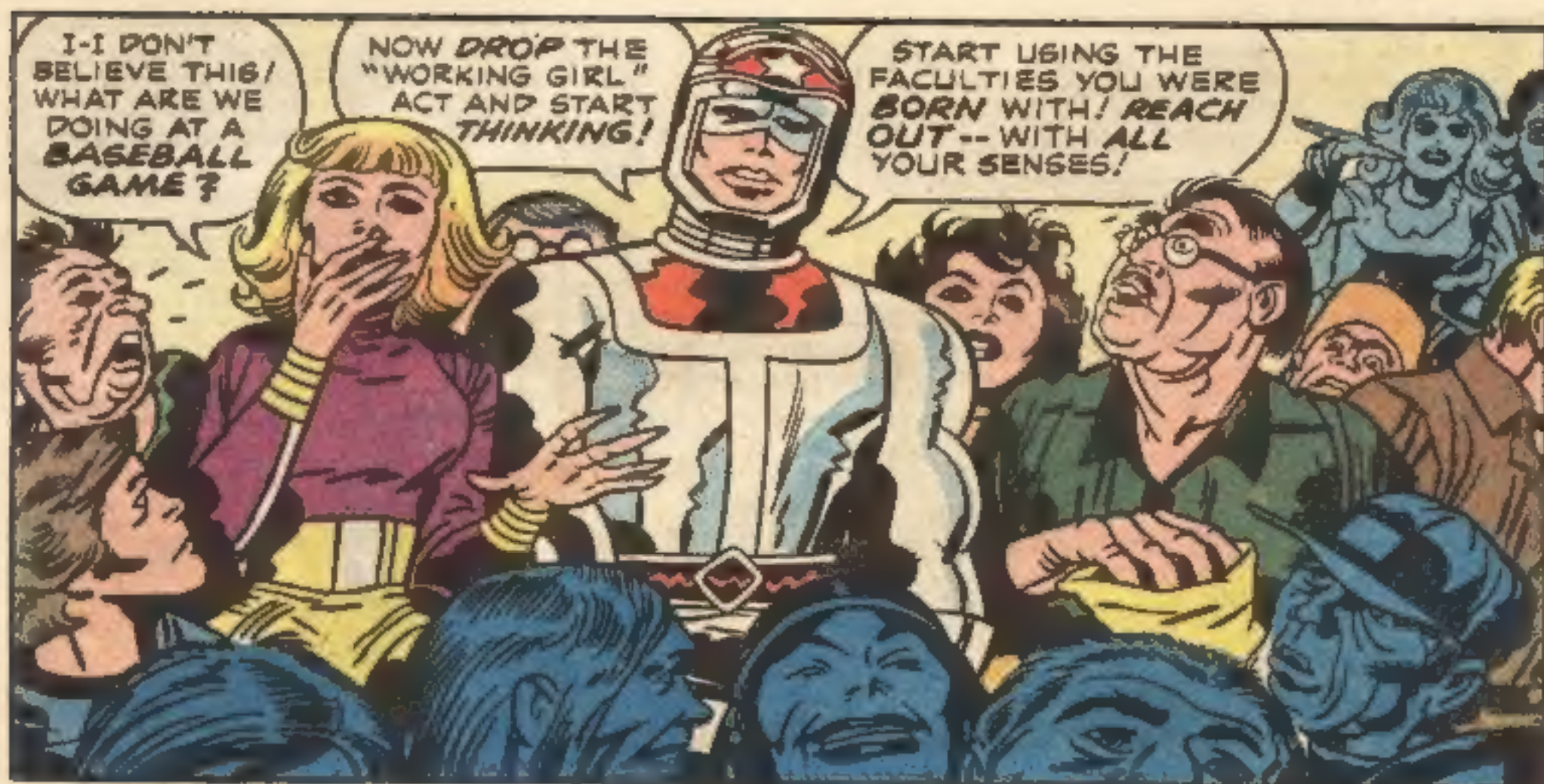
HE NOT ONLY CAN... **HE'S DONE IT!** --**AGAIN!**

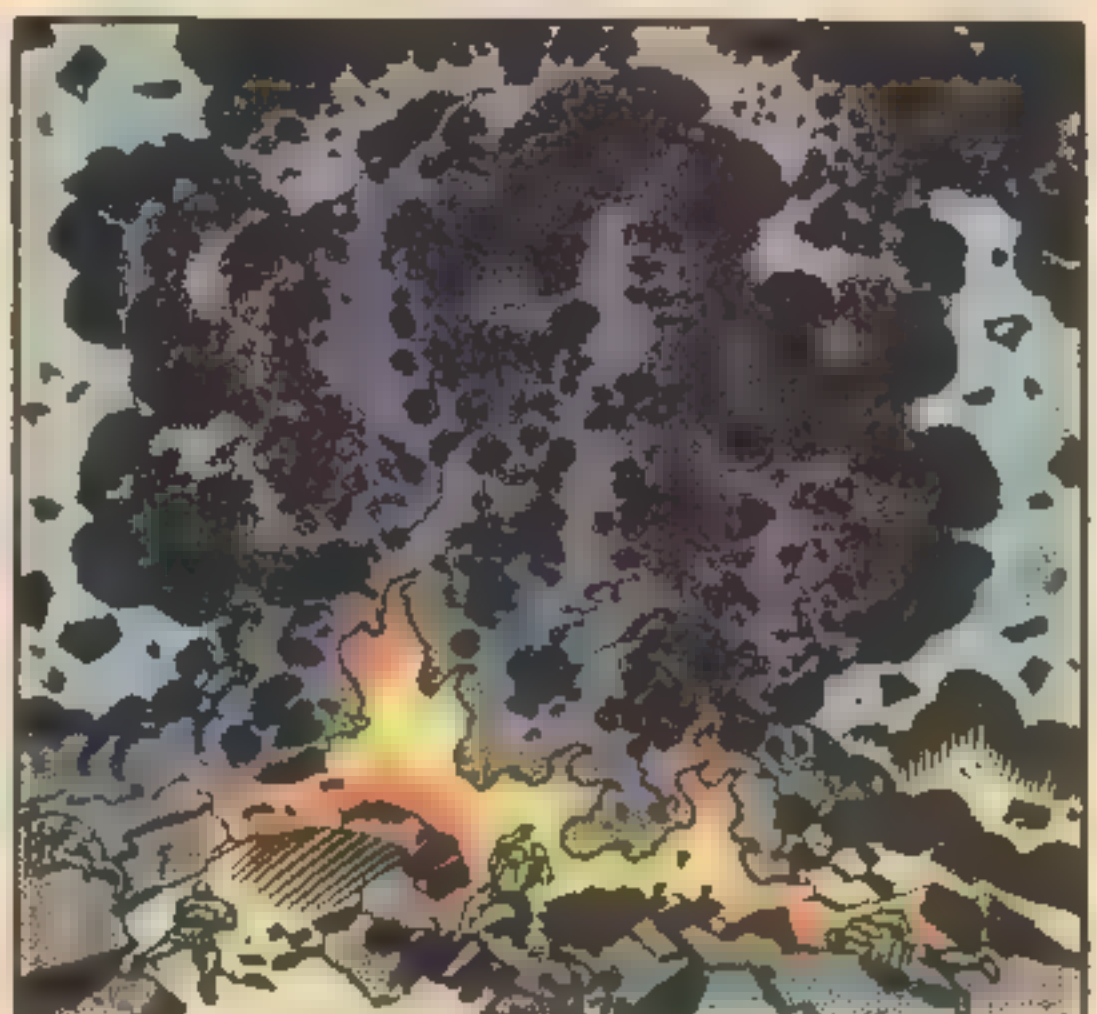
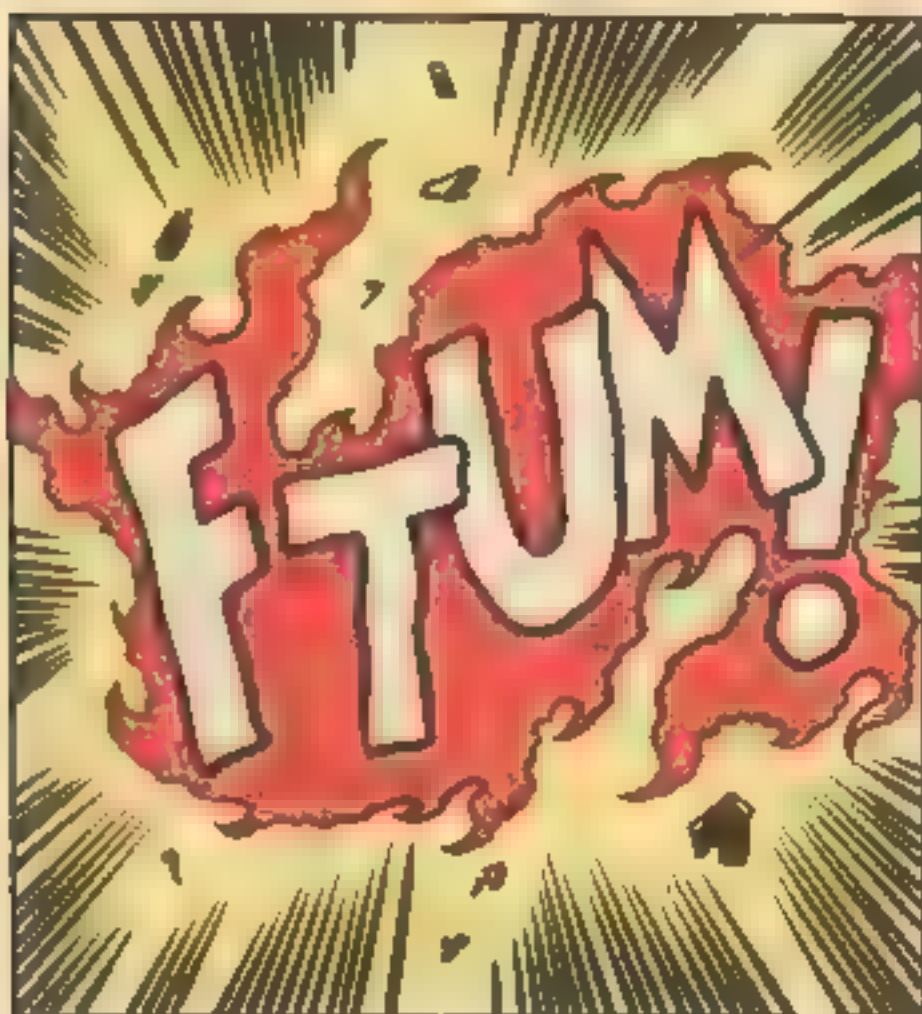
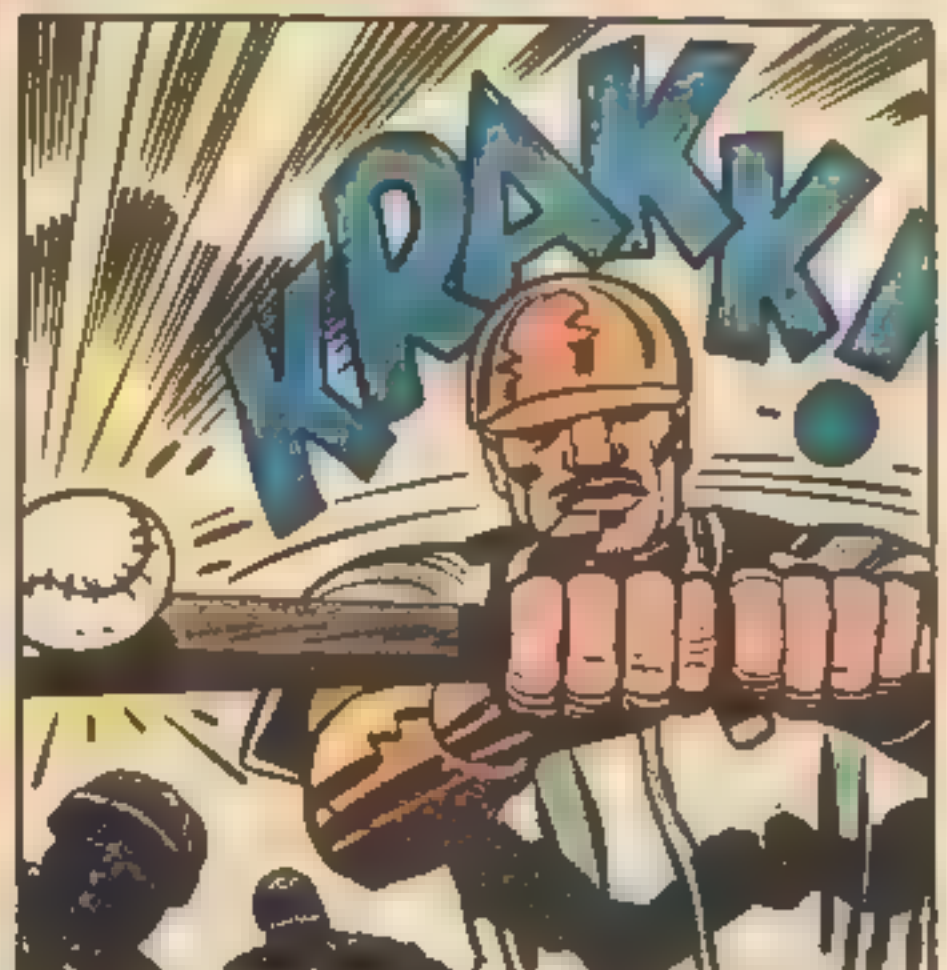
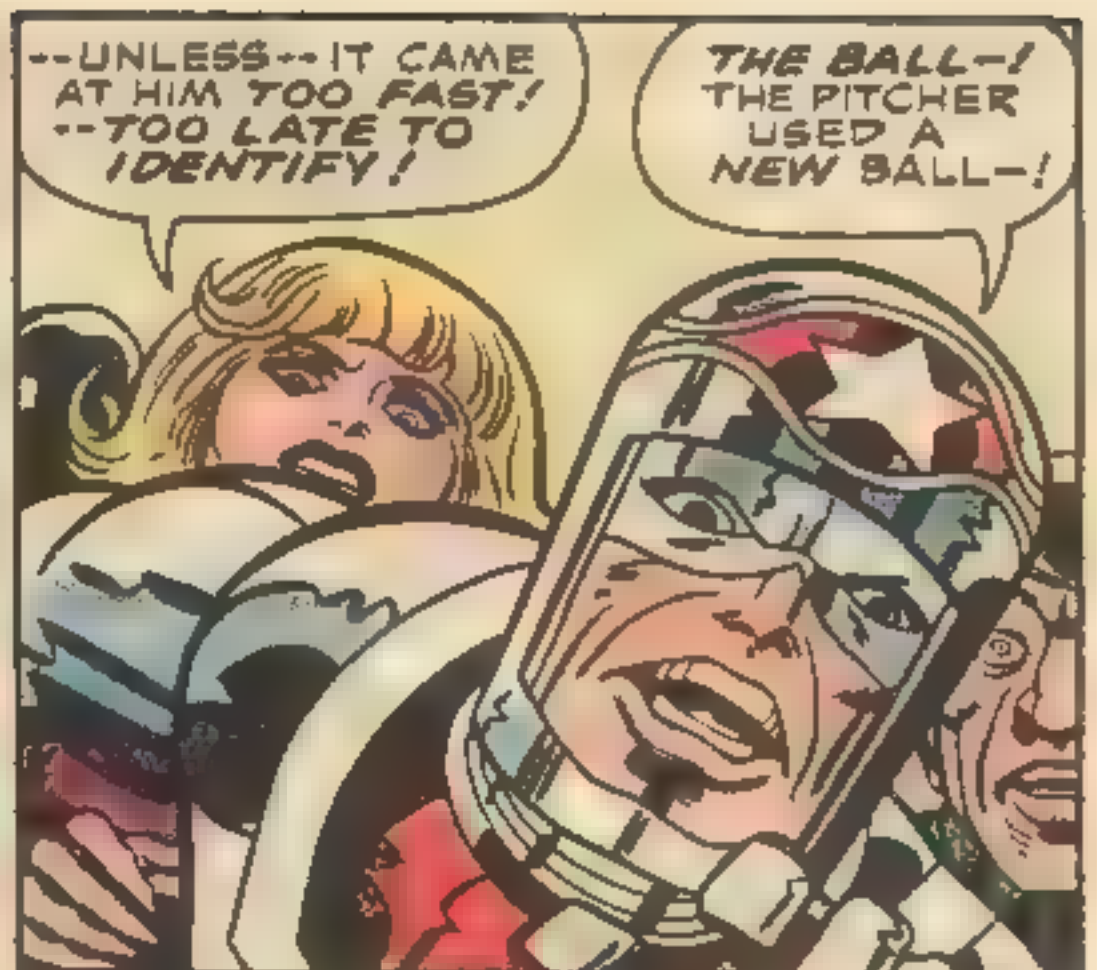


THIS IS **INSIDIOUS!** THE WHACKO'S TAKEN **NORMA!**



BUT-- WHERE? **WHERE?**

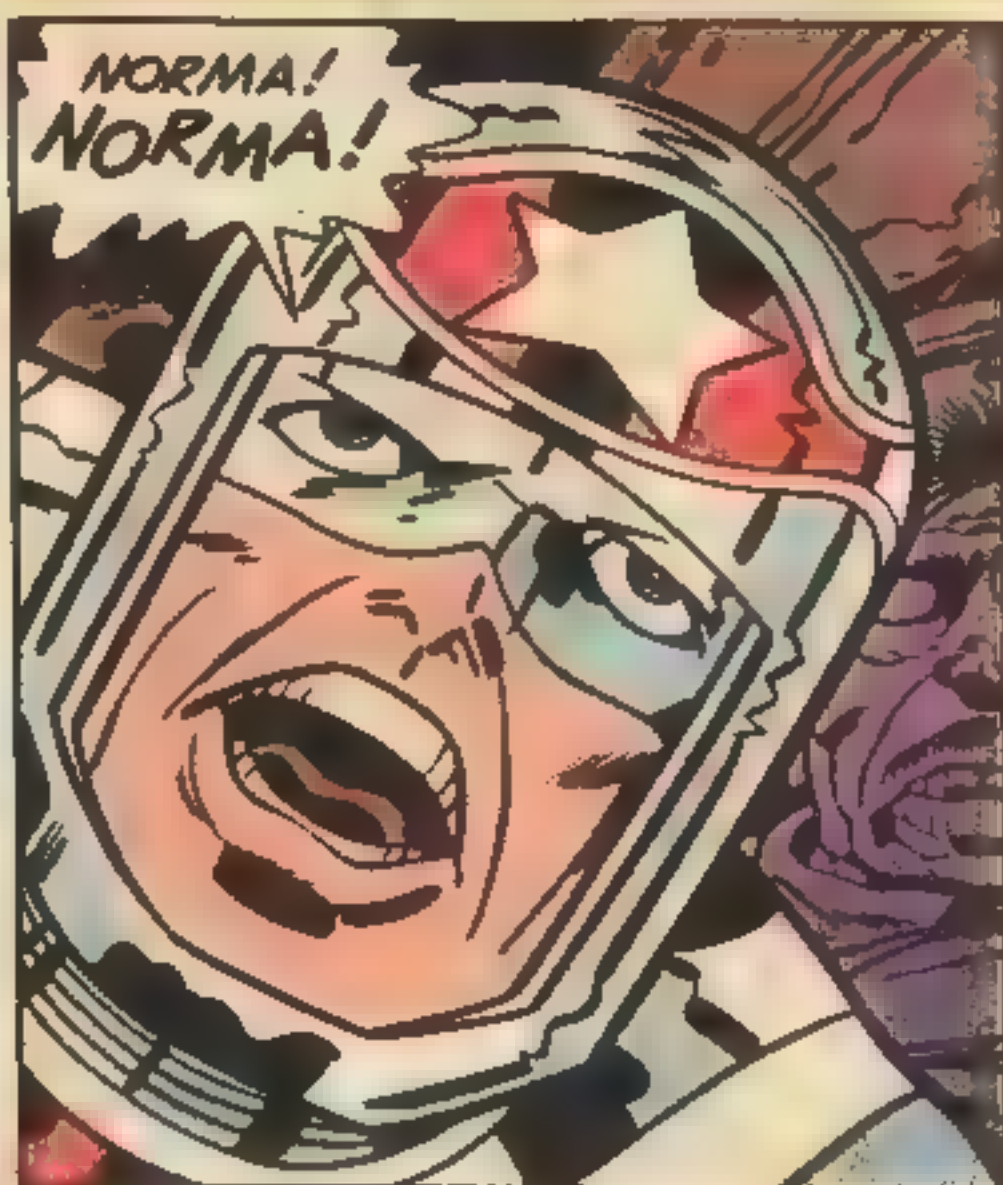
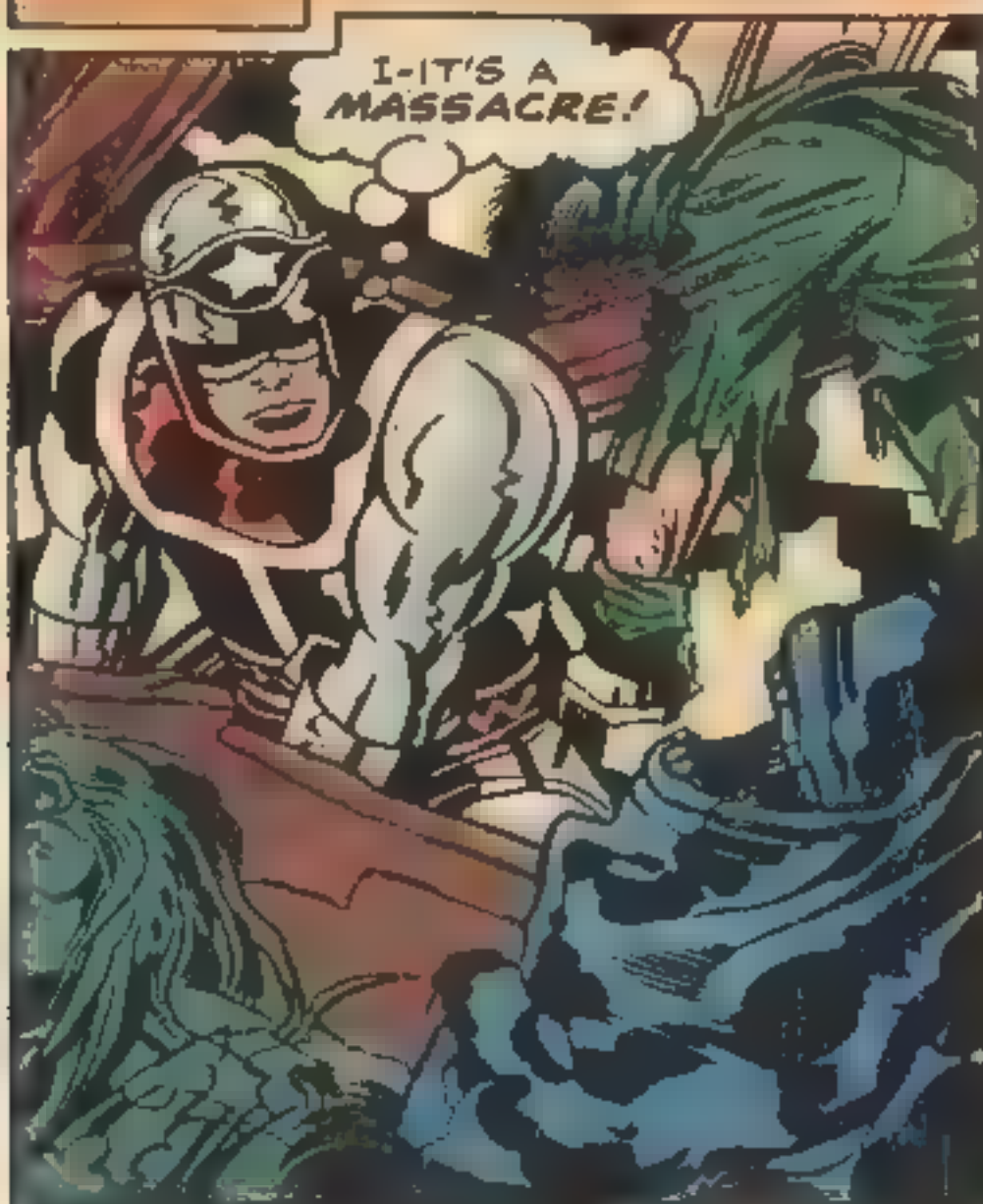


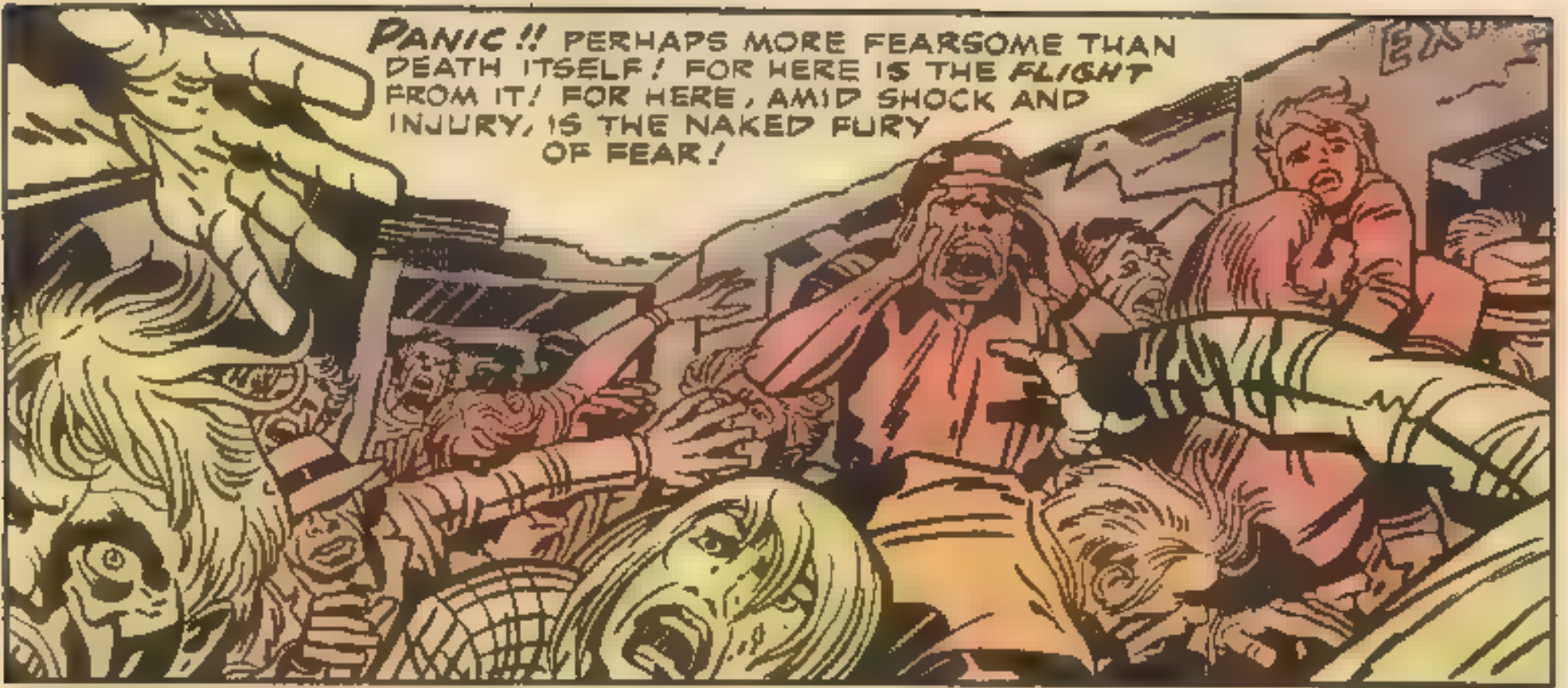




THE HORROR IS PUNGENT AND STRONG WHERE IT IS CLOSEST TO THE "RIP-UP" POINT... SILVER STAR HAS MADE IT TO HELL... BUT, HE ALONE, IS STILL ALIVE...

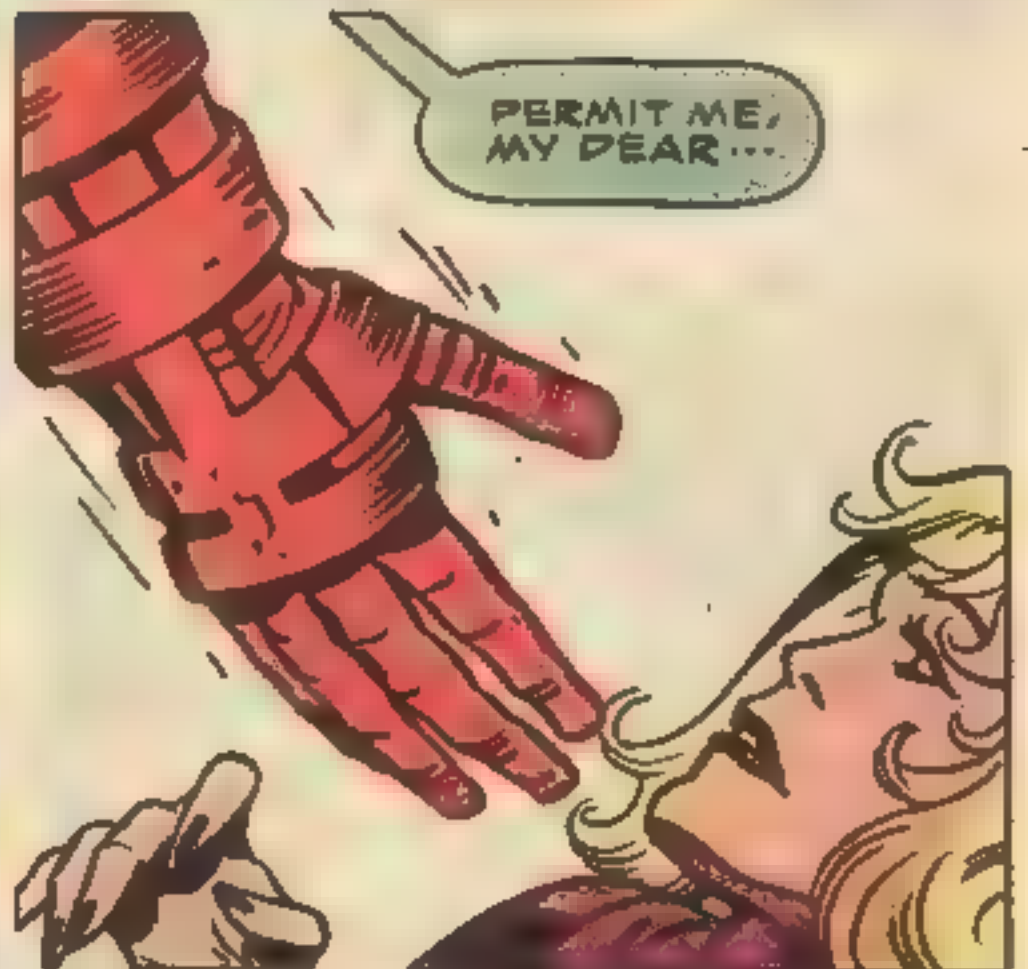
BEYOND THE LINE OF IMMEDIATE HORROR LIES THE "PANIC ZONE"--WHERE THE LIVING CREATE THE "TERRIBLE" FINISHING TOUCHES SO NATURAL TO DISASTERS...





PANIC!! PERHAPS MORE FEARSOME THAN DEATH ITSELF! FOR HERE IS THE *FLIGHT* FROM IT! FOR HERE, AMID SHOCK AND INJURY, IS THE NAKED FURY OF FEAR!

IN THE CENTER OF THIS HUMAN MAELSTROM, NORMA RICHMOND FINDS HERSELF EMBARRASSINGLY HELPLESS...



PERMIT ME, MY DEAR...



DON'T BOTHER. I'M QUITE ALL RIGHT, I ASSURE YOU...

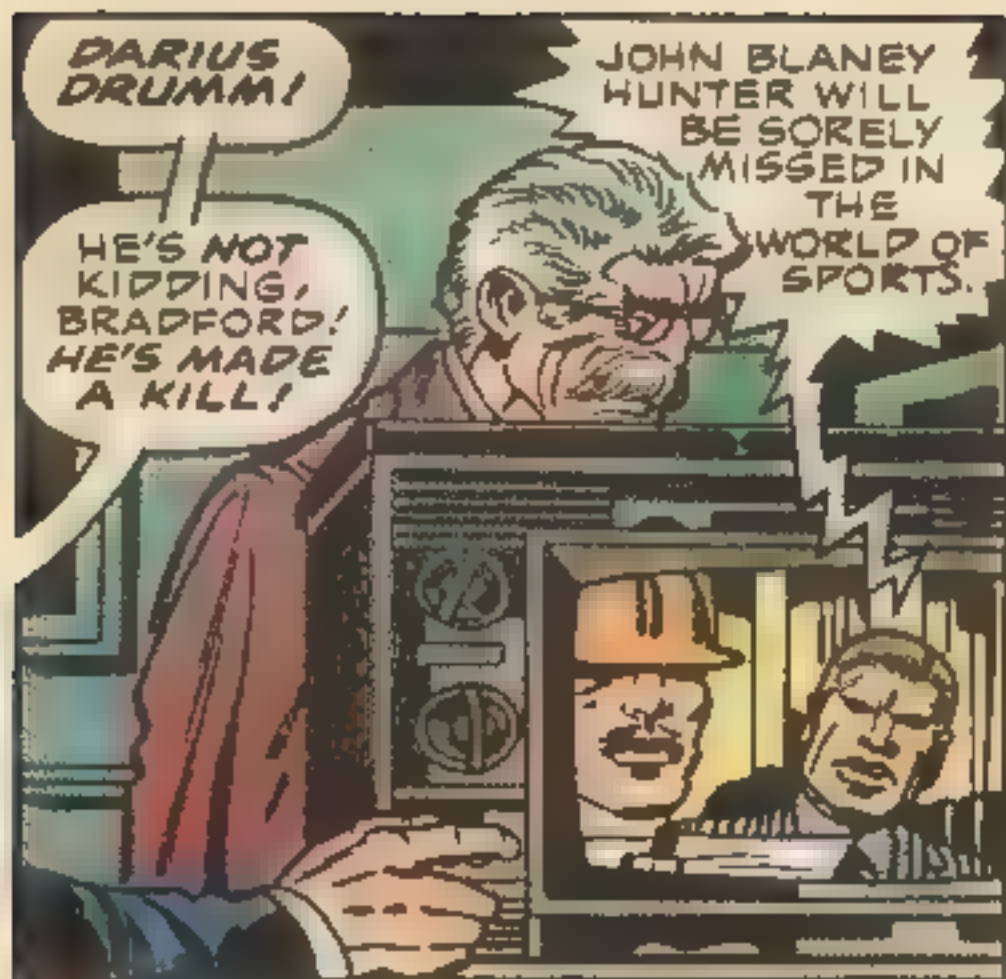


THE LORD HAS BEEN *KIND*...

IT CERTAINLY *HASN'T* BEEN YOU...



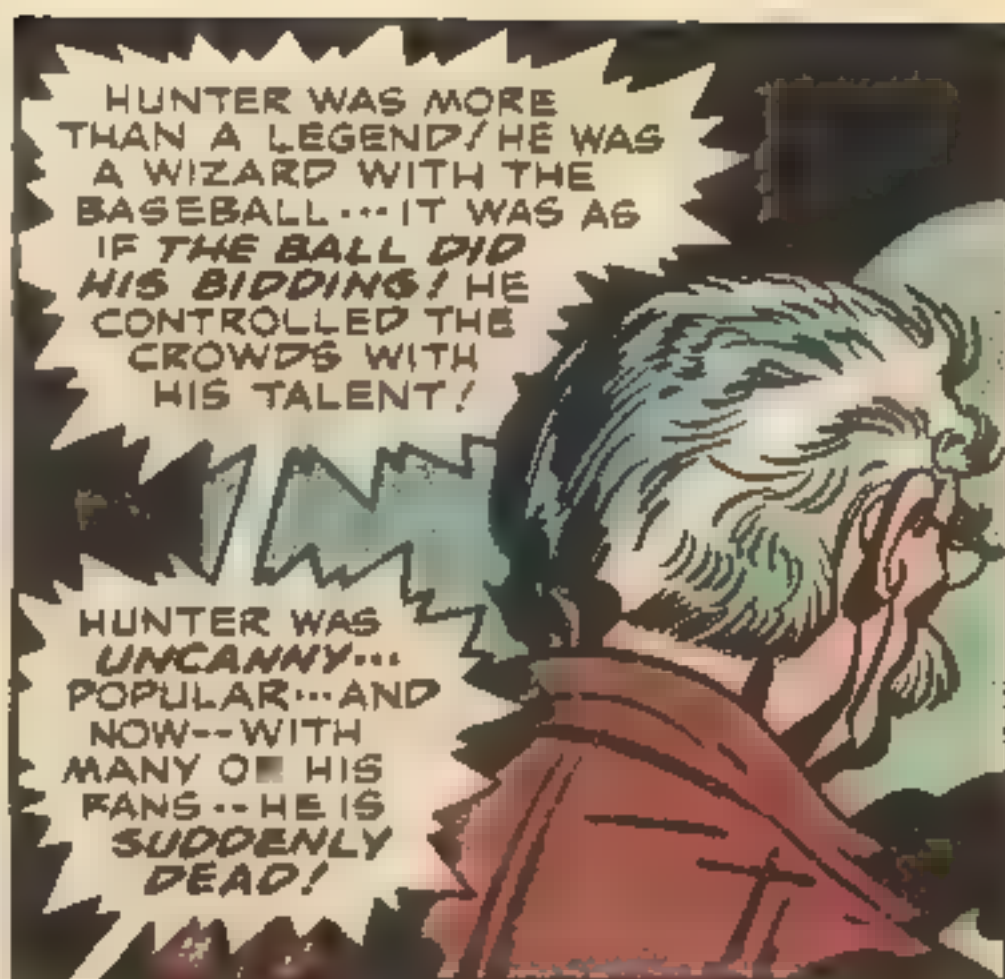
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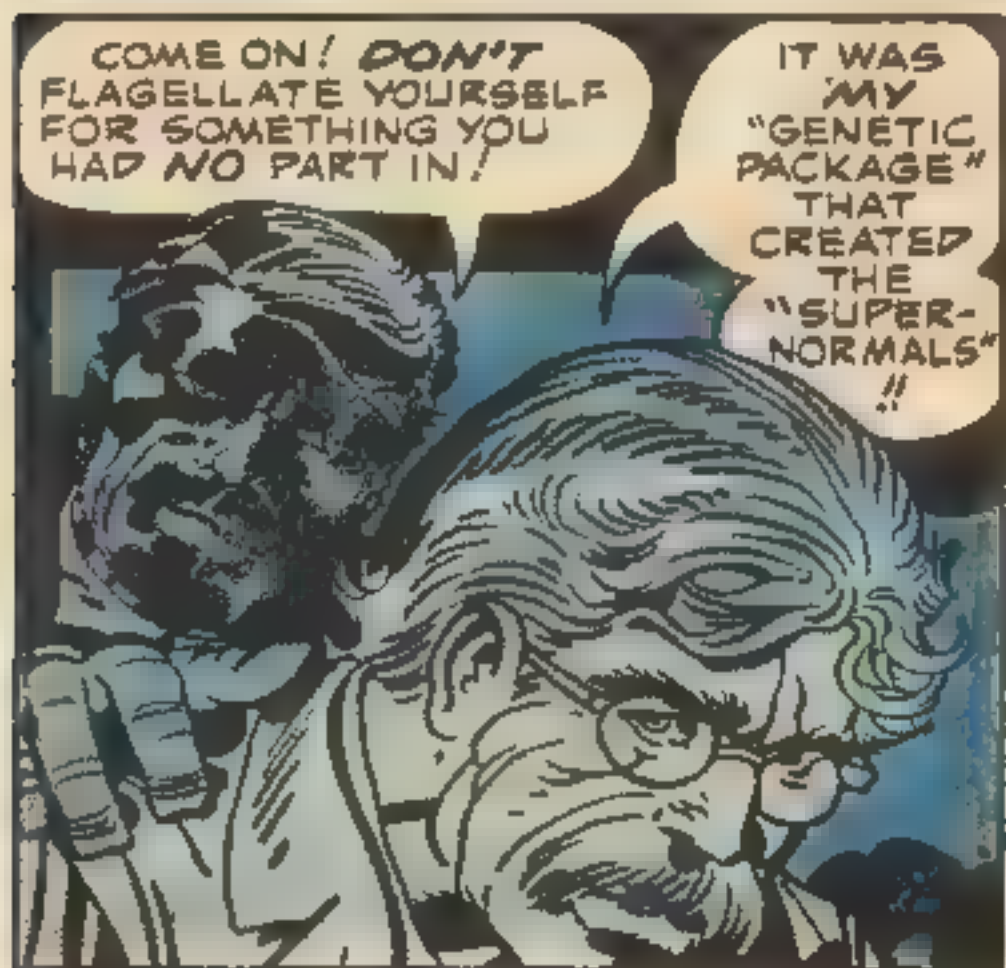
HE'S NOT KIDDING, BRADFORD! HE'S MADE A KILL!

JOHN BLANEY HUNTER WILL BE SORELY MISSED IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS.



HUNTER WAS MORE THAN A LEGEND! HE WAS A WIZARD WITH THE BASEBALL... IT WAS AS IF THE BALL DID HIS BIDDING! HE CONTROLLED THE CROWDS WITH HIS TALENT!

HUNTER WAS UNCANNY... POPULAR... AND NOW-- WITH MANY OF HIS FANS-- HE IS SUDDENLY DEAD!



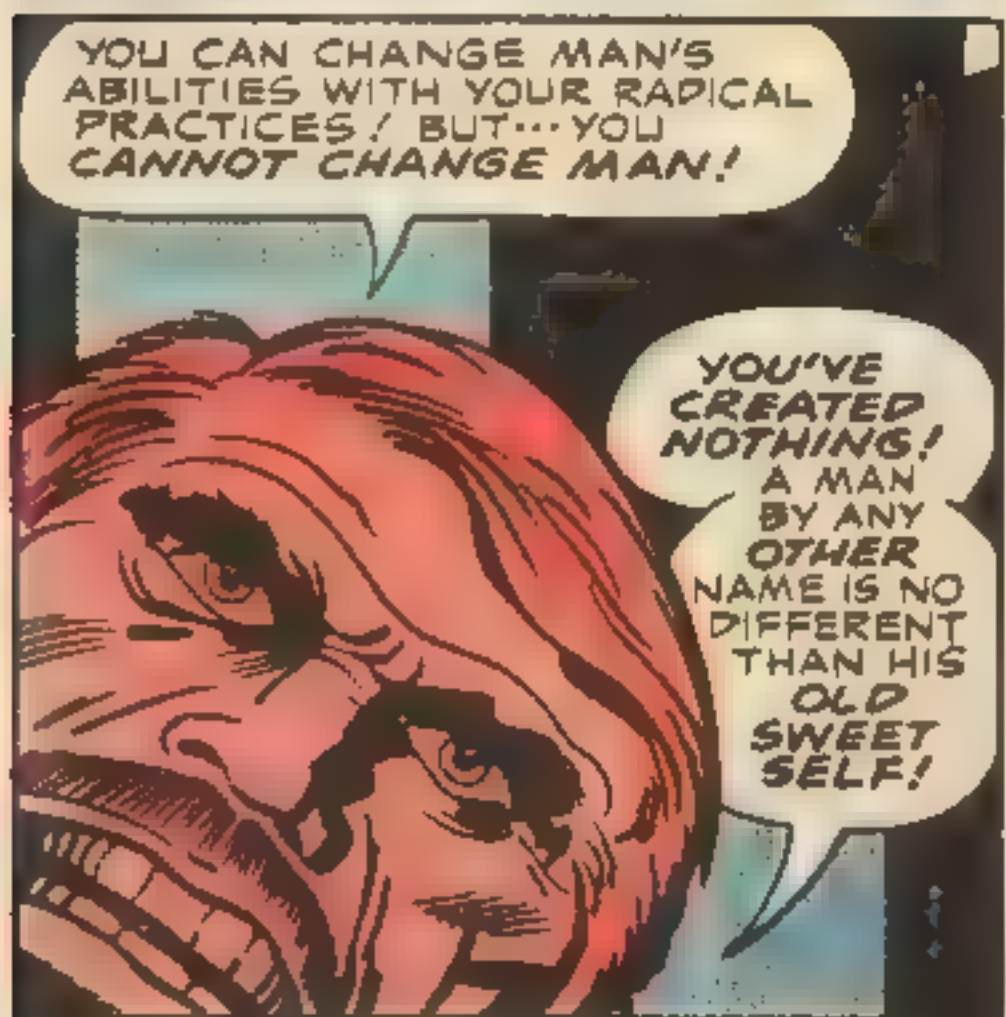
COME ON! DON'T FLAGELLATE YOURSELF FOR SOMETHING YOU HAD NO PART IN!

IT WAS MY "GENETIC PACKAGE" THAT CREATED THE "SUPER-NORMALS" !!



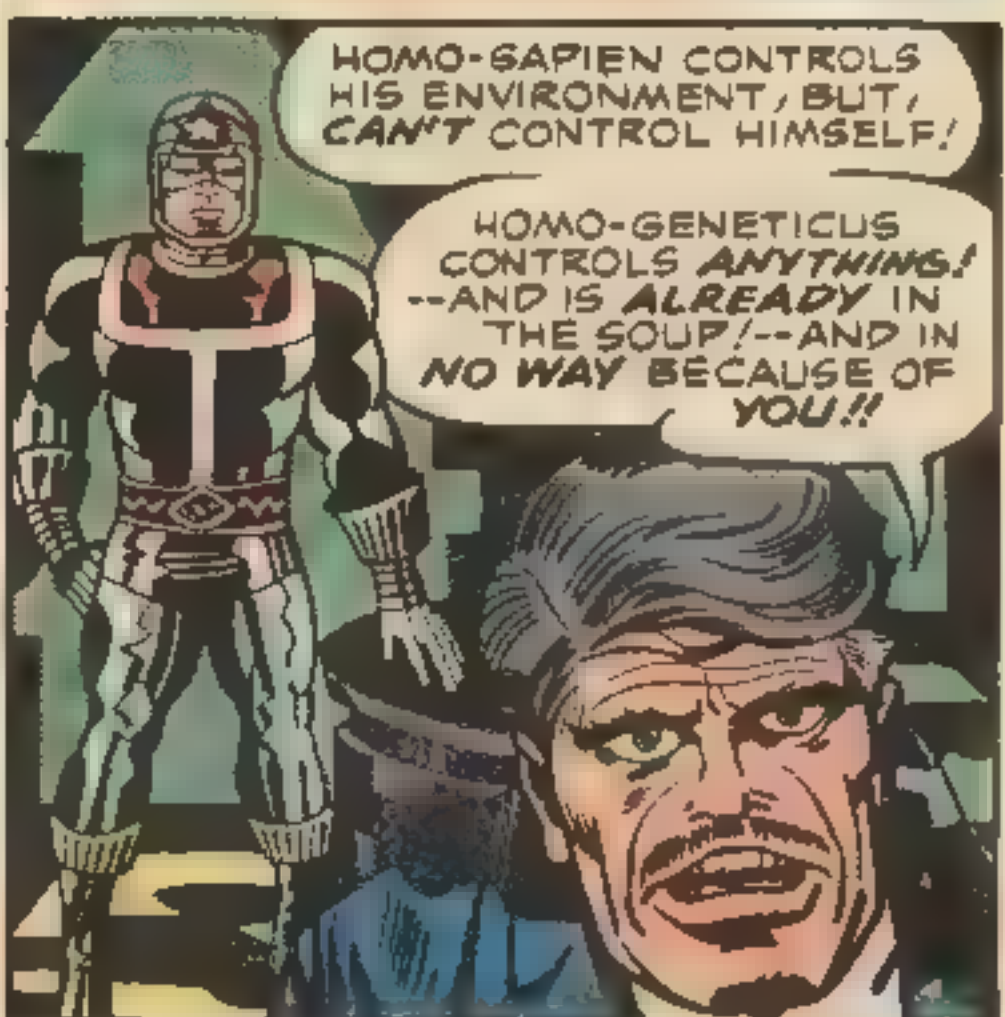
I'VE CREATED HUMANS WITH POWERS TO SURVIVE THE "H-BOMB", AND NOW, THEY'RE DESTROYING EACH OTHER!

YOU CREATED!? --BRADFORD MILLER CREATED!?



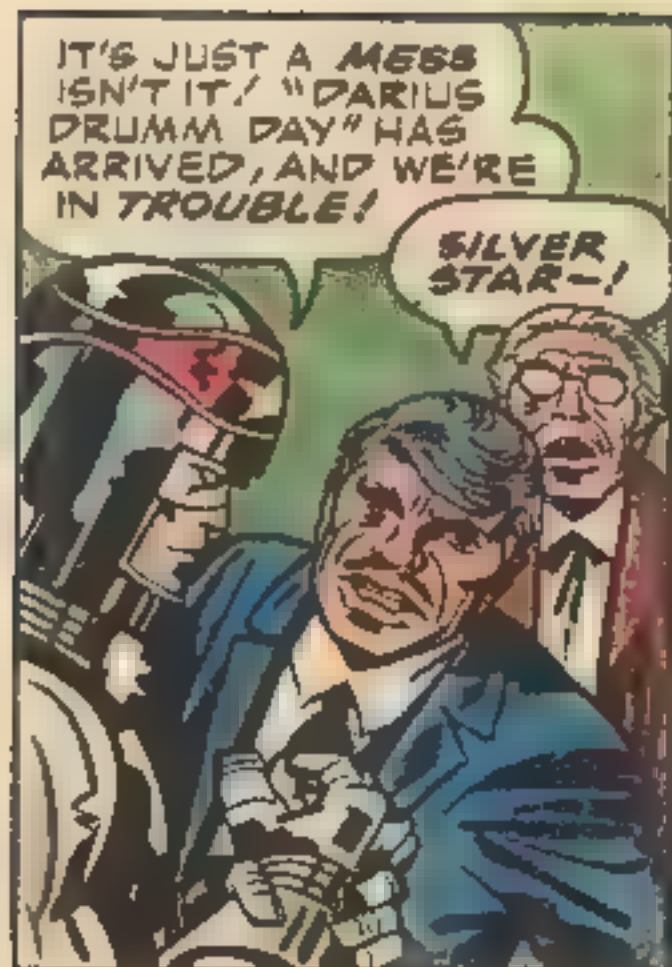
YOU CAN CHANGE MAN'S ABILITIES WITH YOUR RADICAL PRACTICES / BUT... YOU CANNOT CHANGE MAN!

YOU'VE CREATED NOTHING! A MAN BY ANY OTHER NAME IS NO DIFFERENT THAN HIS OLD SWEET SELF!



HOMO-SAPIEN CONTROLS HIS ENVIRONMENT, BUT, CAN'T CONTROL HIMSELF!

HOMO-GENETICUS CONTROLS ANYTHING! --AND IS ALREADY IN THE SOUP!-- AND IN NO WAY BECAUSE OF YOU!!



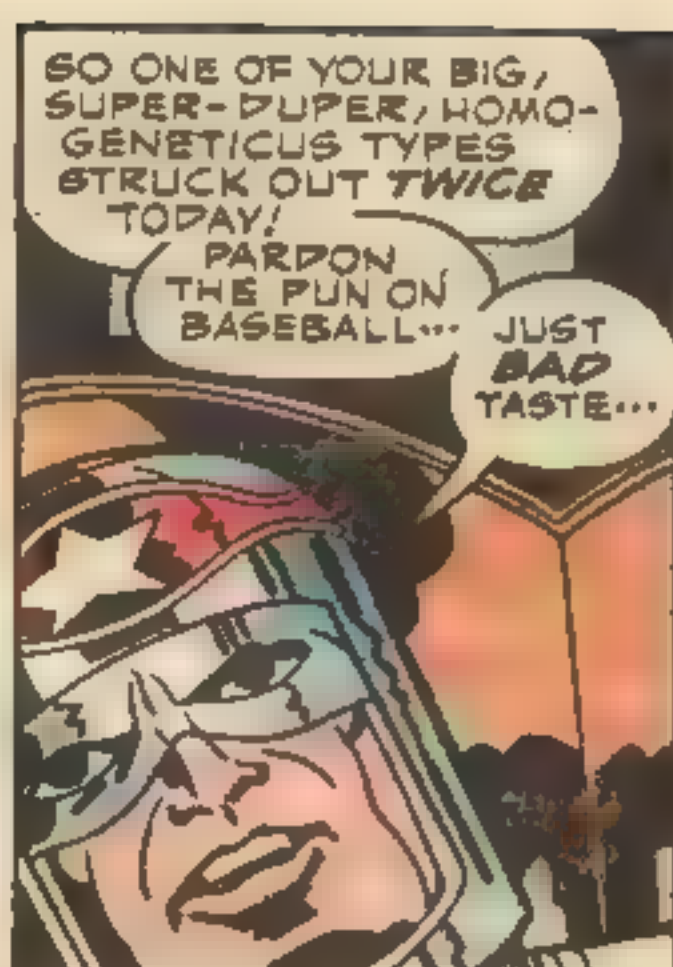
IT'S JUST A MESS
ISN'T IT? "DARIUS
DRUMM DAY" HAS
ARRIVED, AND WE'RE
IN TROUBLE!

SILVER
STAR--!



I DIDN'T THINK FAST OR
SMART ENOUGH! THAT
BASEBALL COULD'VE
BEEN FROZEN RIGHT IN
MID-FLIGHT! INSTEAD,
I TRIED TO BEAT IT TO
THE PLATE--!

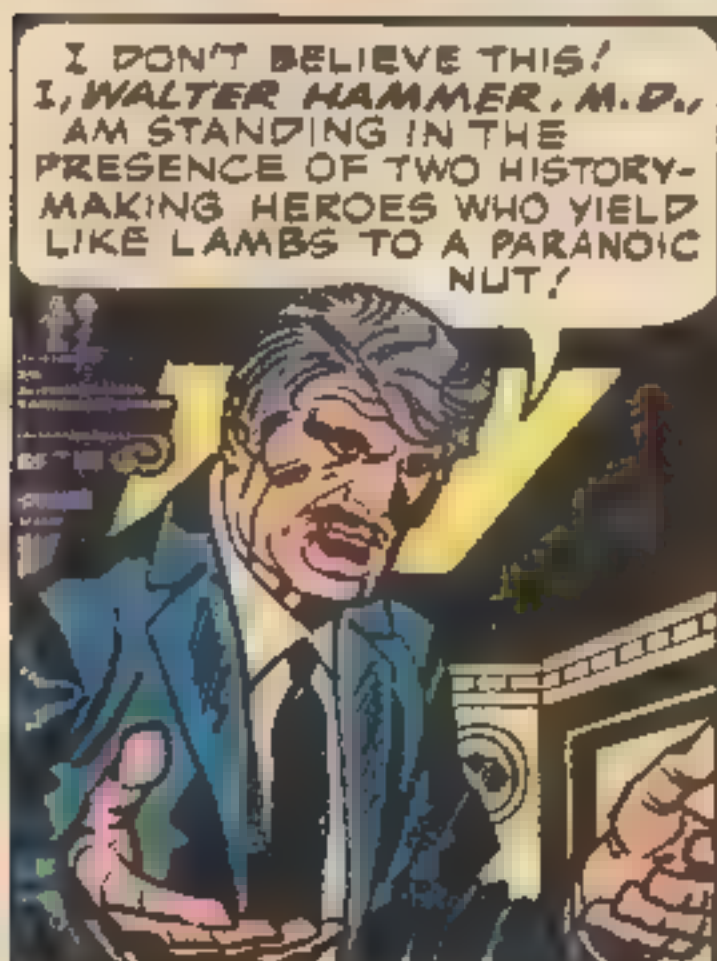
SO...?



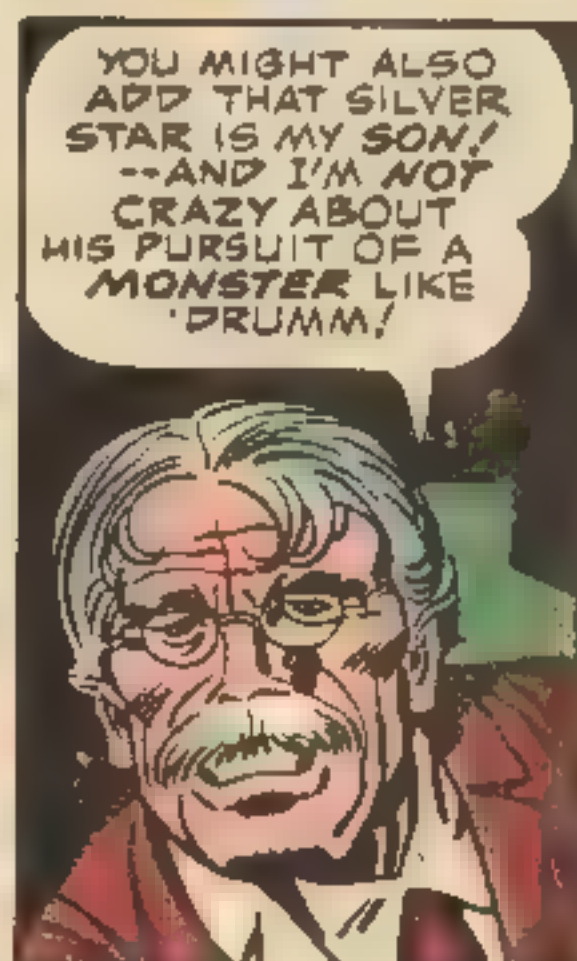
SO ONE OF YOUR BIG,
SUPER-DUPER, HOMO-
GENETICUS TYPES
STRUCK OUT TWICE
TODAY!

PARDON
THE PUN ON
BASEBALL...

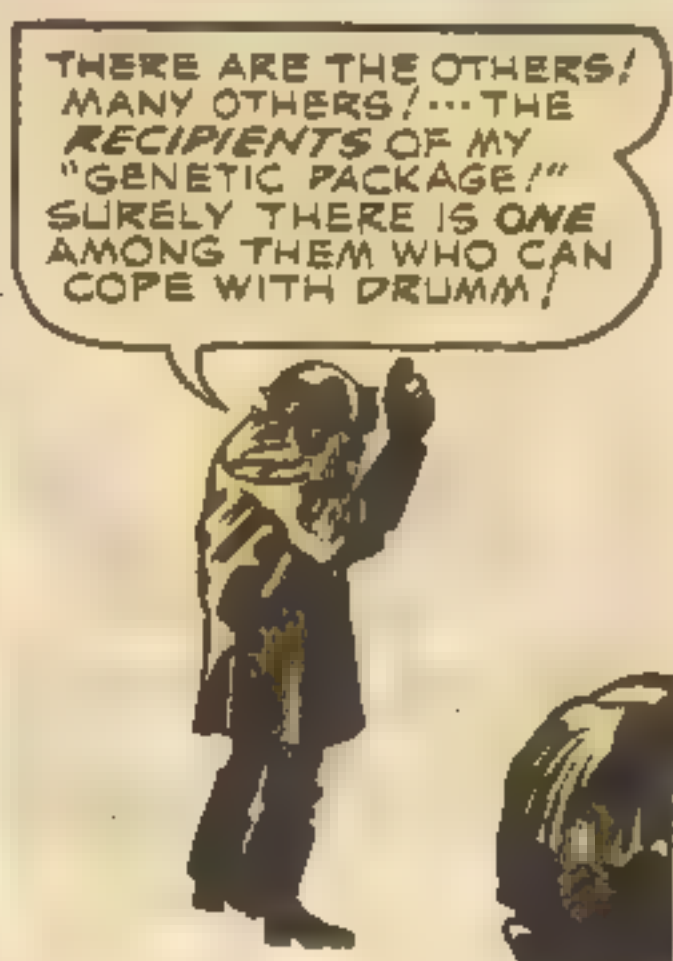
JUST
BAD
TASTE...



I DON'T BELIEVE THIS!
I, WALTER HAMMER, M.D.,
AM STANDING IN THE
PRESENCE OF TWO HISTORY-
MAKING HEROES WHO YIELD
LIKE LAMBS TO A PARANOID
NUT!



YOU MIGHT ALSO
ADD THAT SILVER
STAR IS MY SON!
--AND I'M NOT
CRAZY ABOUT
HIS PURSUIT OF A
MONSTER LIKE
'DRUMM!

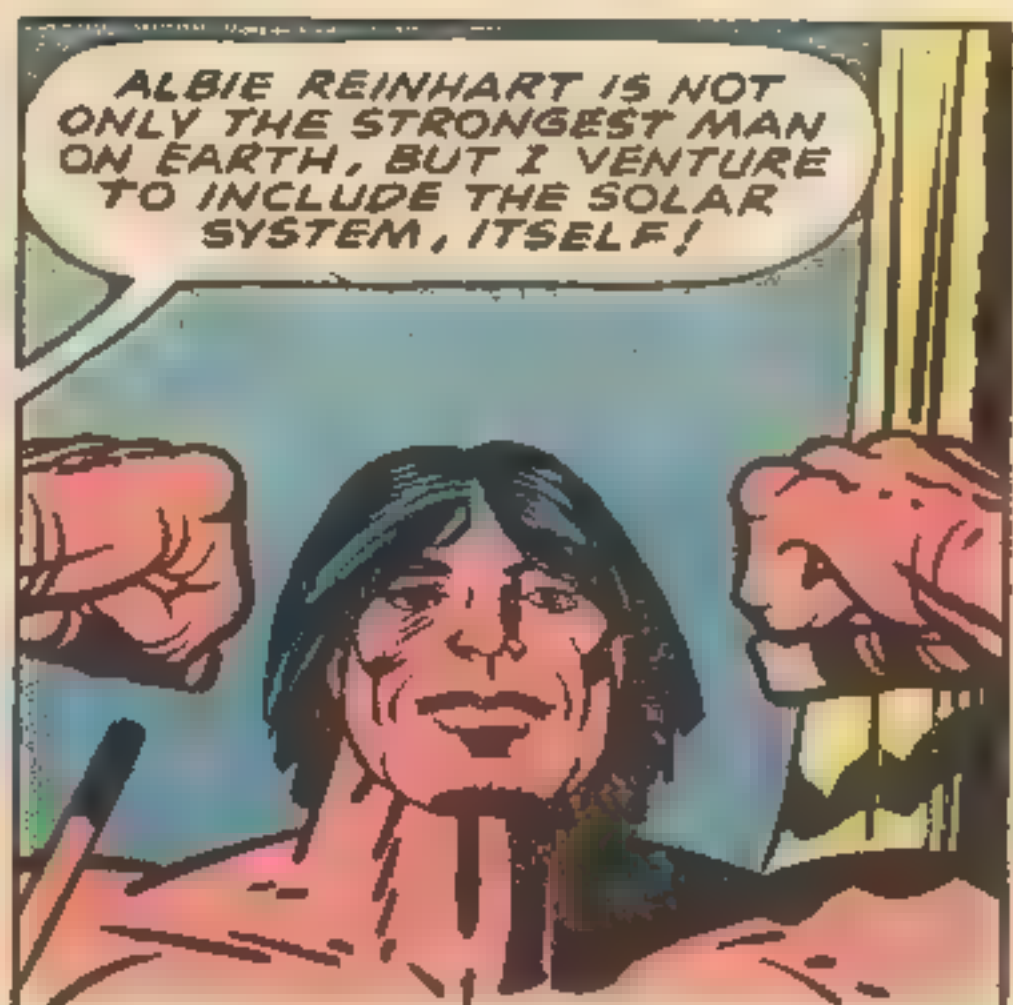


THERE ARE THE OTHERS!
MANY OTHERS!...THE
RECIPIENTS OF MY
"GENETIC PACKAGE!"
SURELY THERE IS ONE
AMONG THEM WHO CAN
COPE WITH DRUMM!

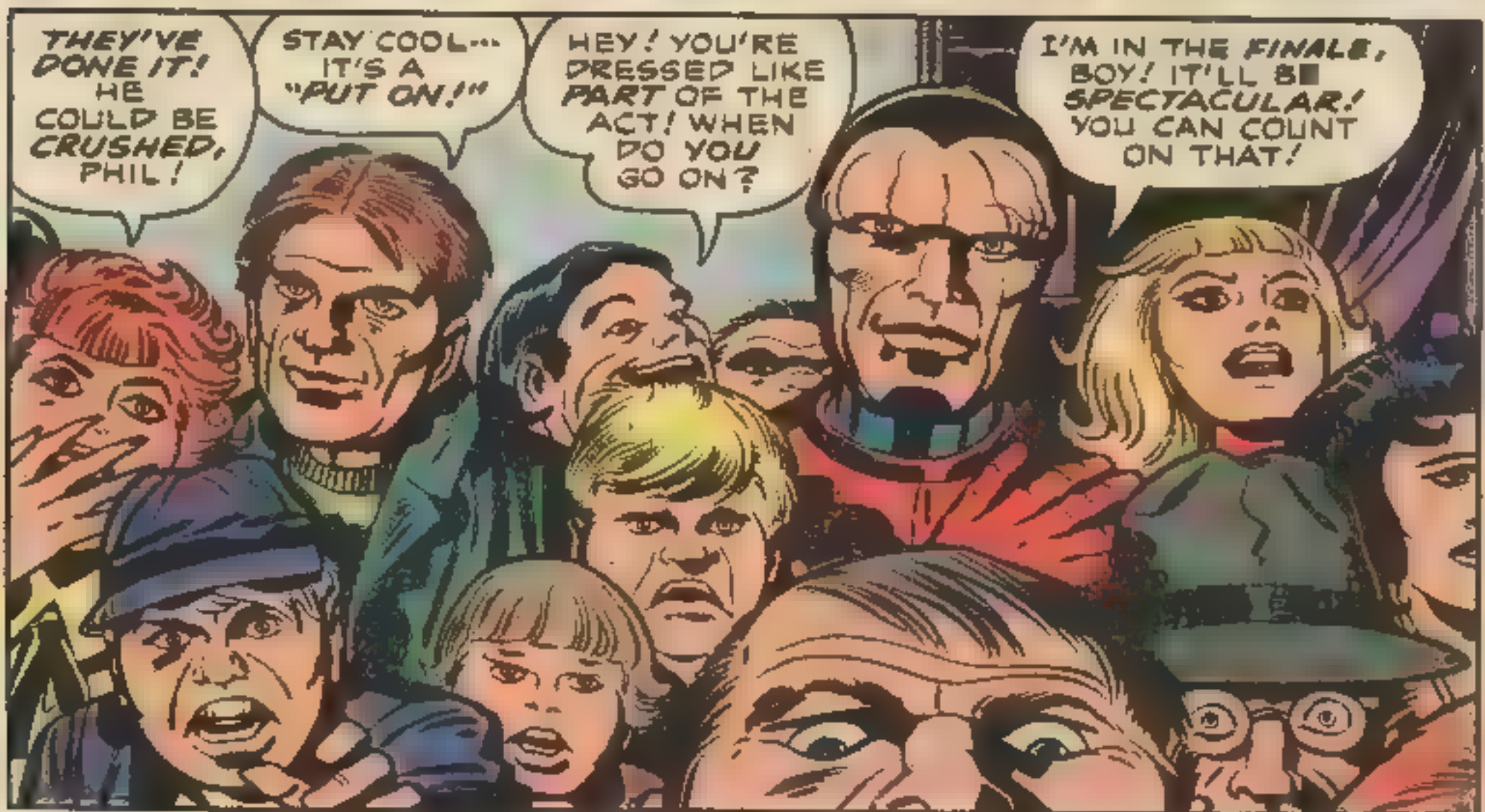
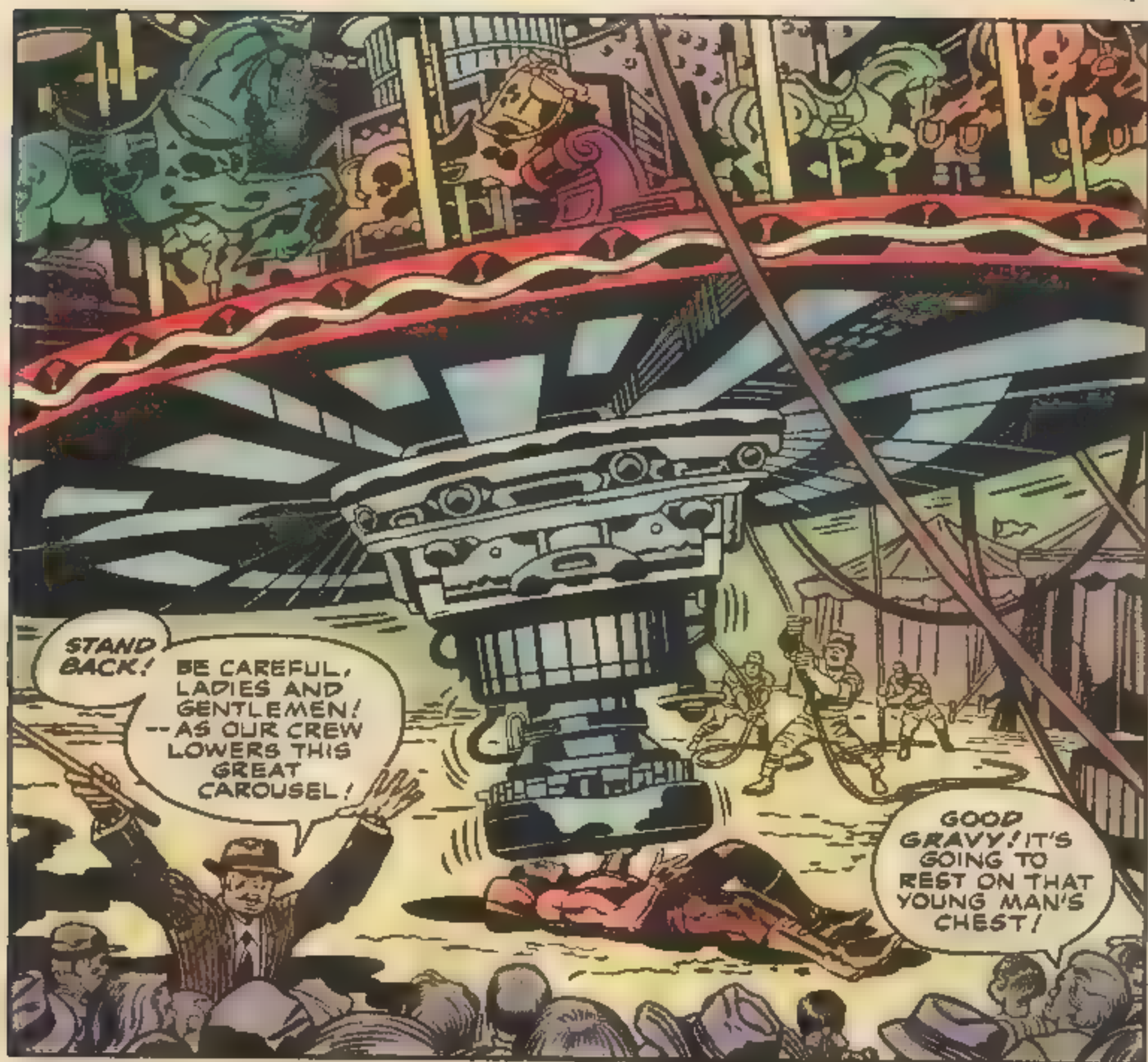


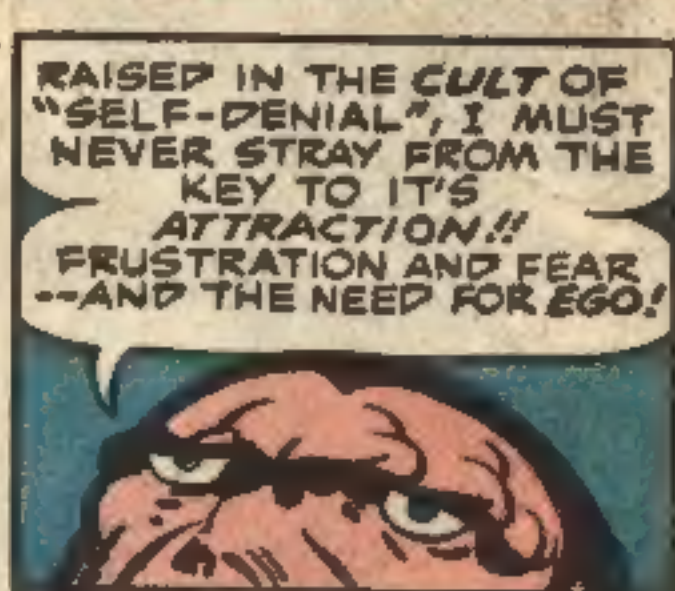
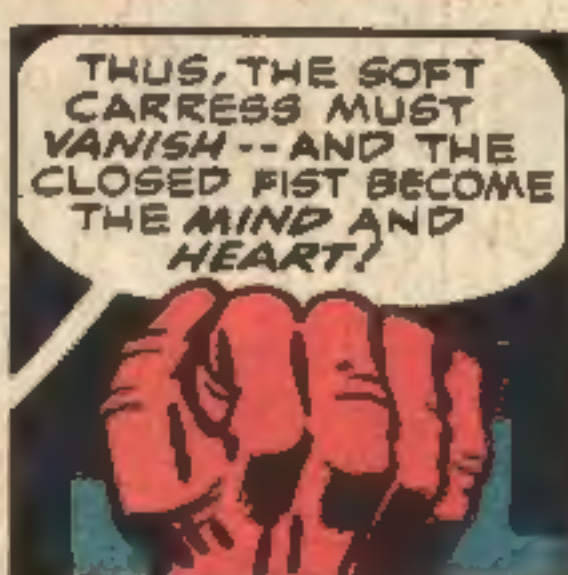
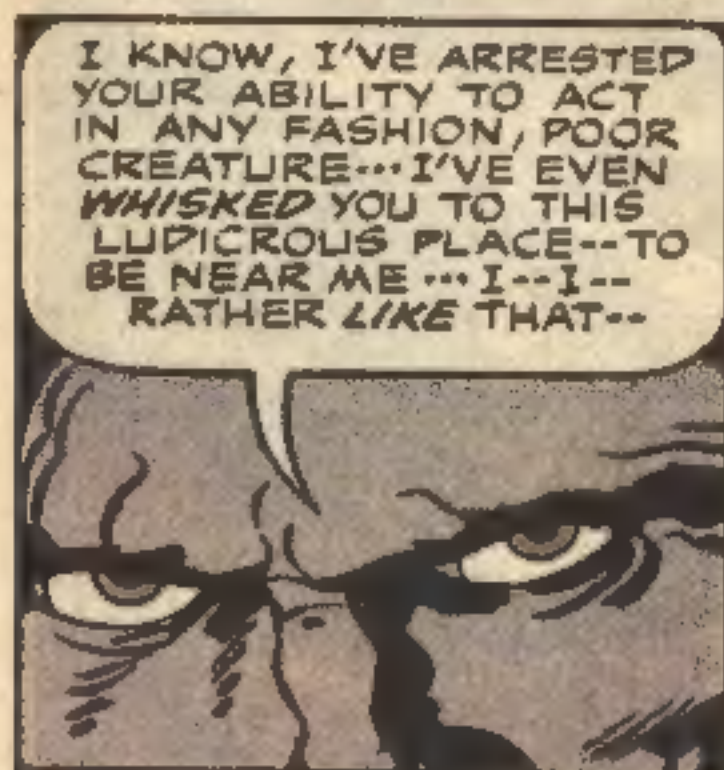
--AND, HERE HE IS,
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN!

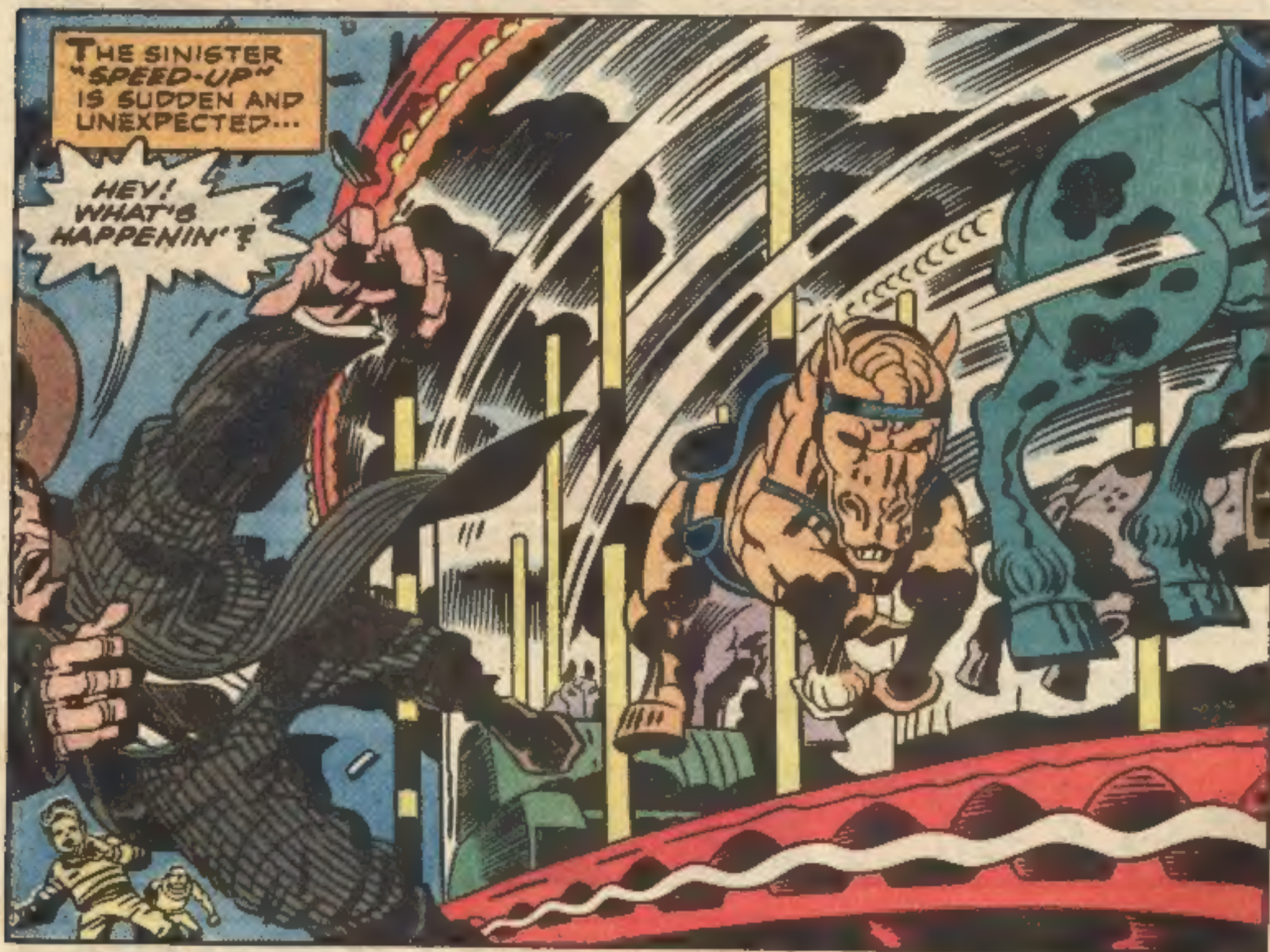
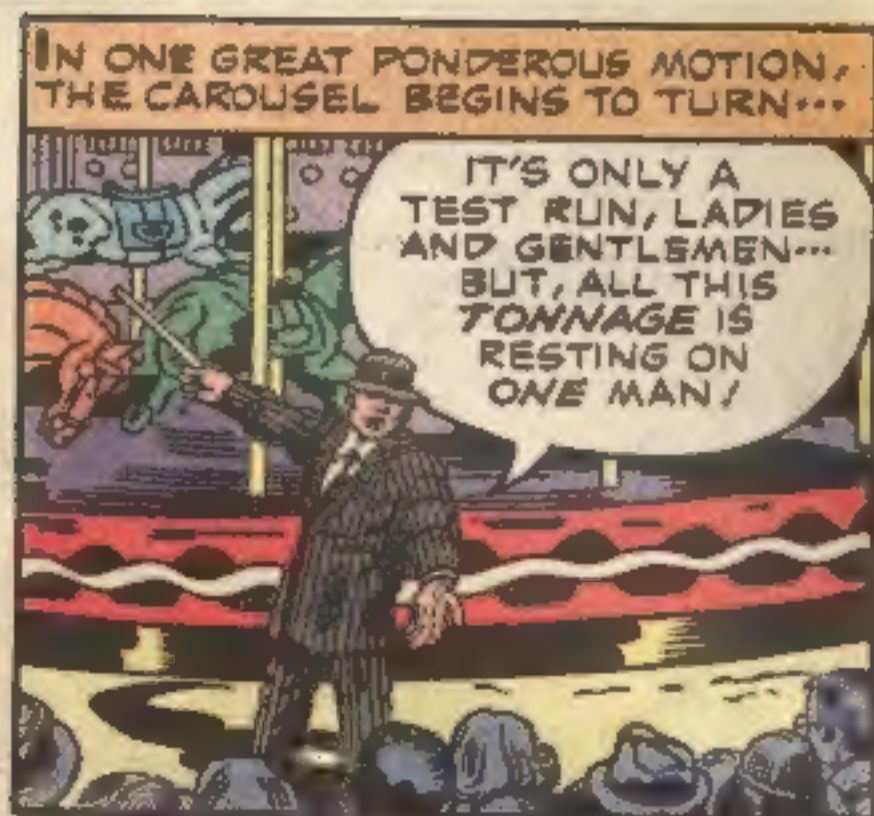
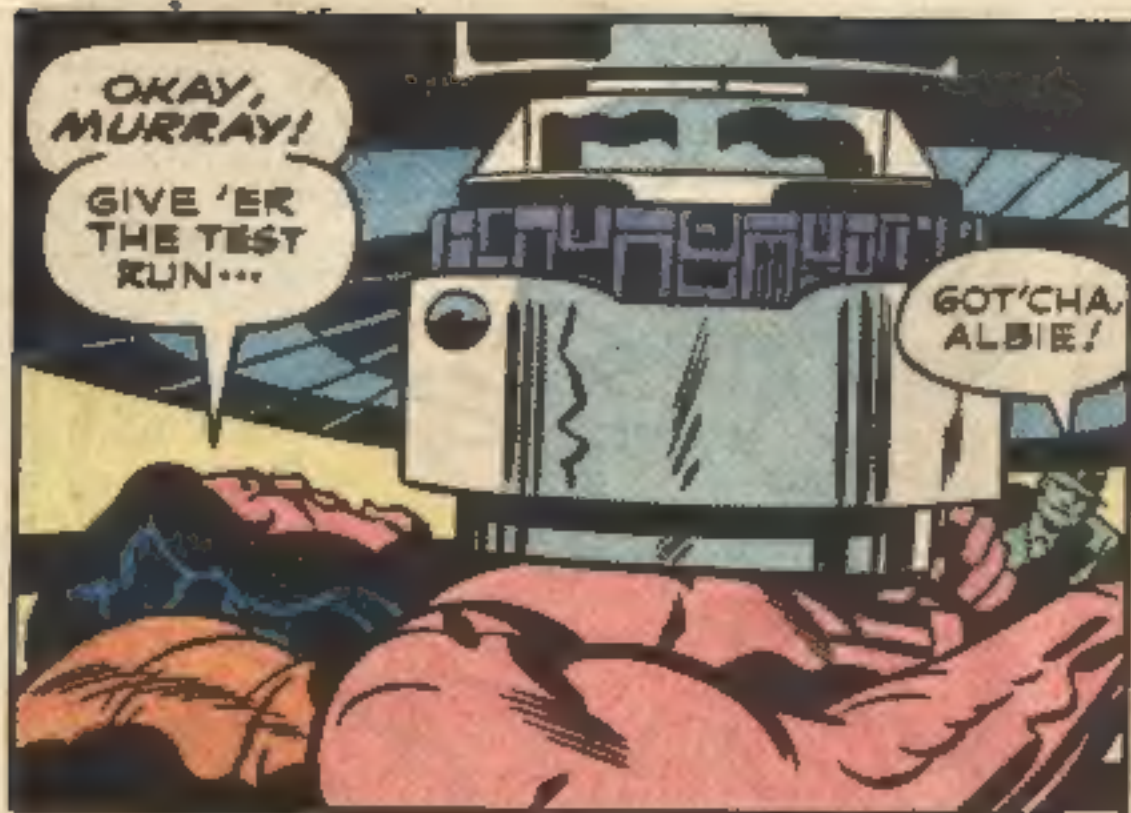
--THE MAN WHO
CAN DO THE
"IMPOSSIBLE"
BEFORE YOUR
VERY EYES!!



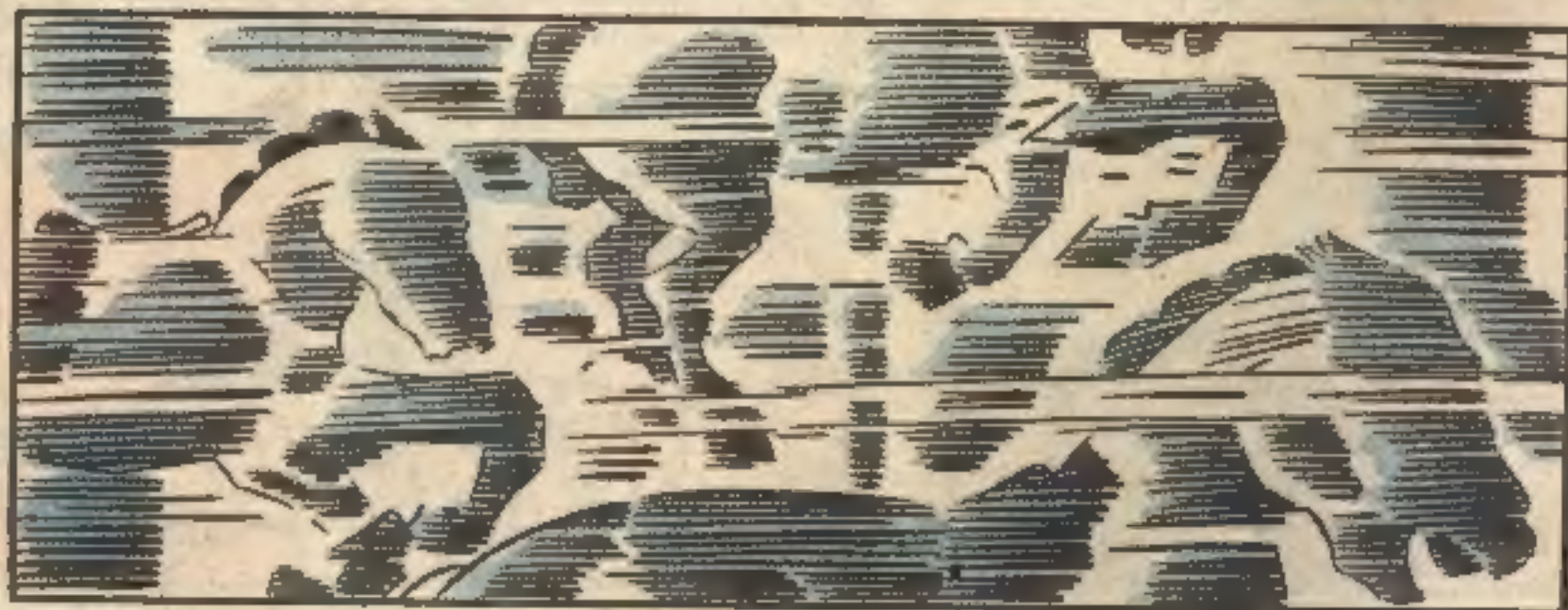
ALBIE REINHART IS NOT
ONLY THE STRONGEST MAN
ON EARTH, BUT I VENTURE
TO INCLUDE THE SOLAR
SYSTEM, ITSELF!







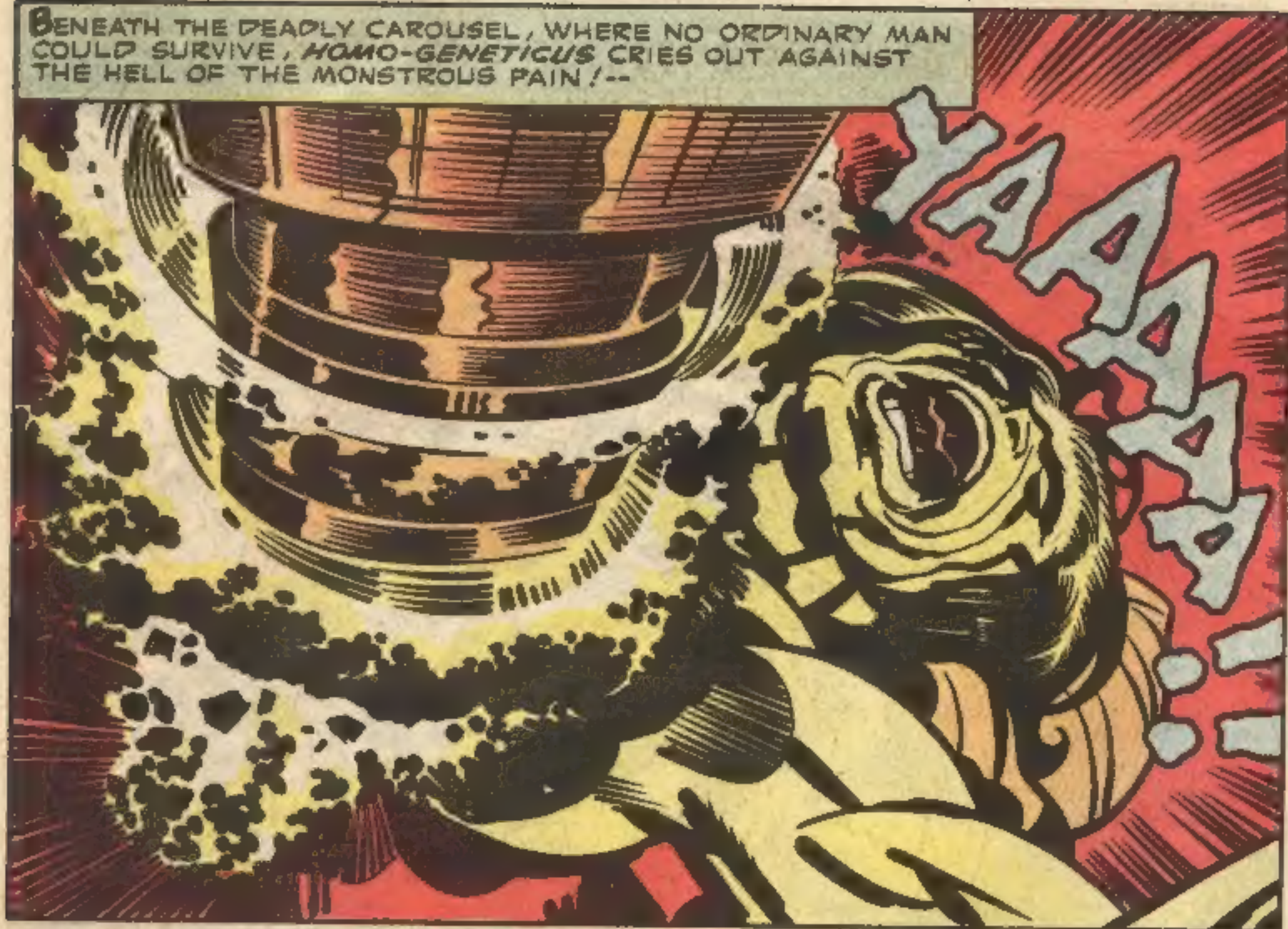
**FASTER!
FASTER!**
A DEVIL'S HAND HAS DESCENDED AND IMBUEDED THE SPINNING CAROUSEL WITH AN ACCELERATION THAT KEEPS MOUNTING BEYOND REASON!



THE DEVIL'S SPIN NEVER STOPS...NOT UNTIL
IT RIPS AND TEARS AND GRINDS WITH FRICTION
ALL THE JOY AND WONDER FROM THE BODY
OF LIFE--RESHAPING IT INTO A HOT CAVITY,
ECHOING WITH SCREAMS...



BENEATH THE DEADLY CAROUSEL, WHERE NO ORDINARY MAN
COULD SURVIVE, *HOMO-GENETICUS* CRIES OUT AGAINST
THE HELL OF THE MONSTROUS PAIN!--



--AND, IS HEARD!

SILVER
STAR--!
WHAT'S
WRONG!?



SPRAAAK!

HE'S VANISHED!



COMING NEXT ...

**The Good,
The Bad,
And The
Miserable.**

**SATAN'S
CHILDREN!**